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Imperial Headquarters Pressing For Swift Action

LEAGUE DEBATE ON AID TO CHINA

Geneva, To-day.
An official announcement last night stated that the next public session of the League, when assistance for China will come up for debate, will take place at noon to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

NETHERLANDS CELEBRATE ROYAL BIRTH

The Hague, To-day.
The joy felt by the whole of the Netherlands over the birth of a baby Princess was given voice by the Premier, Dr. Colijn, in a broadcast address yesterday afternoon.

The broadcast was relayed to all the Netherlands colonies.

Meanwhile, the whole country continues to celebrate the happy event.

An official bulletin says that mother and child are doing well.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH PRESS FOR RED SEA FORTIFICATIONS

Cairo, To-day.

Great Britain has made strenuous representations to the Imam of Yemen for construction of modern fortifications in the Strait of Bab-el-mandeb, at the junction of the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean, according to press reports.

Britain is said to have offered considerable assistance in the project.

Negotiations, however, are reported to have reached a deadlock "because the interests of other great powers, particularly of Italy, would be adversely affected."—Trans-Ocean.

Warships Reported Ordered To Formosa

Tokyo, To-day.

It is learned in circles in close touch with the Cabinet that Imperial Headquarters, on the advice of commanders in the field, are pressing the Cabinet for authority to undertake the early invasion of Kwangtung.

Prince Konoye and Mr. Hirota and the elder statesmen are reported to be strongly opposed to any fresh commitments in the "China Incident" and it is because their views have prevailed hitherto that no attack has been launched.

According to well-informed quarters, however, a number of the Japanese warships which had been concentrated in the Shanghai and Tsingtao areas have been ordered, in the last few days, to Formosa, awaiting further instructions, while Imperial Headquarters have increased their pressure for speedy action.

Military quarters declare that an attempt to cut the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese Section) will soon be made, but political circles declare that if the Cabinet has its way, Japanese invasion of South China will not materialise.

CABINET STRENGTHENING

It is pointed out that the Cabinet's hand has been strengthened by the aggravation of Russo-Japanese relations as a result of the breaking off of postal relations, and the renewed evidences of Soviet military and naval preparedness in the Far East.

On the other hand, considerable excitement has been caused in Tokyo by reports emanating from Geneva suggesting secret arrangements for increased material aid to China by Britain, France and the Soviet, and Imperial Headquarters is using these reports to justify swift action, including bombing of the Yunnan Railway from the French Indo-China border.

Foreign quarters here are inclined to believe that an invasion of South China will be undertaken very soon—or not at all.—Our Own Correspondent.

ITALY DENIES ENDYMION ALLEGATIONS

Rome, To-day.

Italian officials strongly repudiate allegations that an Italian submarine or a submarine "of Italian origin" torpedoed the British steamer "Endymion."—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

In connexion with the sinking of the British steamer "Endymion" by a submarine, it is reported from Gibraltar that an extensive search made by four British destroyers yielded no results and that no trace of the submarine has been found.

This was the first time since signing of the Nyon Agreement that a British ship has been sunk in the Mediterranean.—Trans-Ocean.

their Governments on the question of the resolution on the Far Eastern conflict.

The representatives of Ecuador and Peru have so far received no reply from their governments on the question of help for China.—Trans-Ocean.

MATERIAL AID TO CHINA

Geneva, To-day.

The League Council, which was to have reassembled yesterday evening, postponed its next session until to-day on the grounds that some delegates wanted to consult

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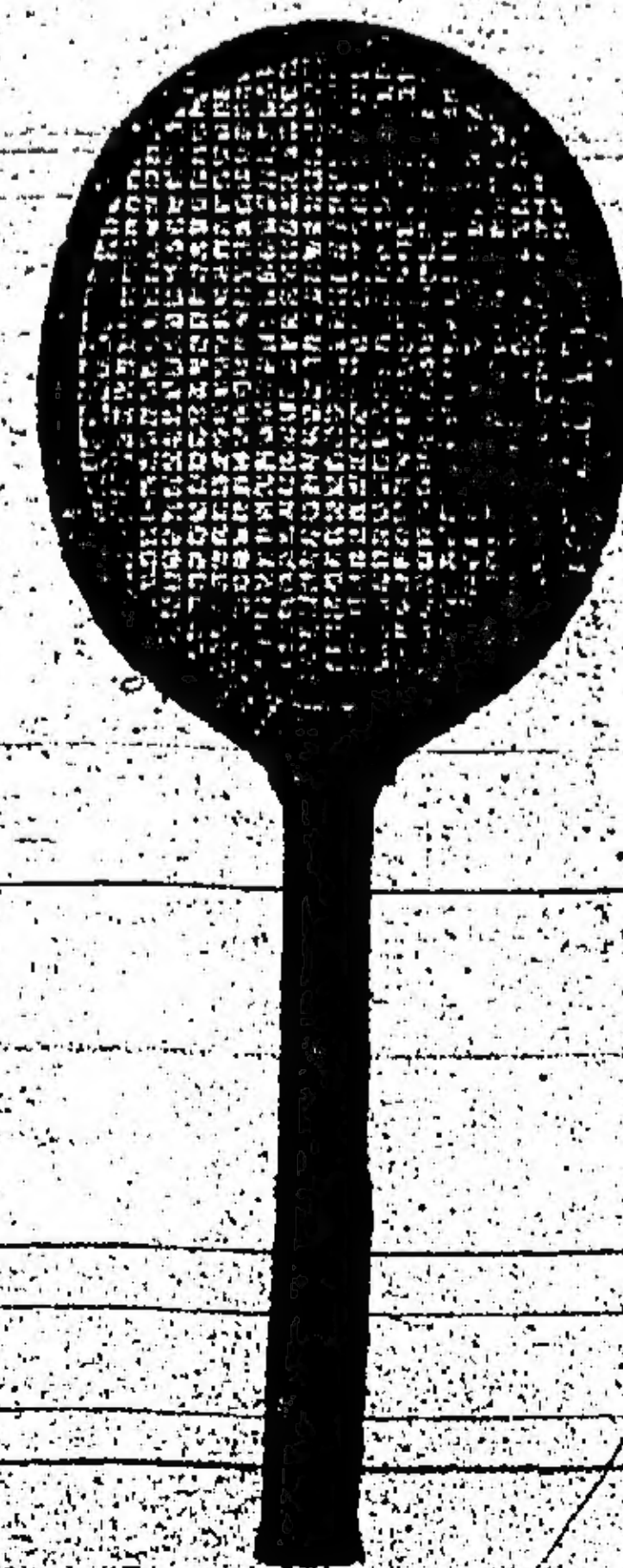
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POWDER

Consider face powder, for example. All experts agree that there is one right way of putting on powder, but, as a rule, it is only the woman who has learned her lesson at a salon who really follows this at home. To do an effective powder job, you need, first, a good powder foundation. You need, also, a good clear mirror and a make-up band, so the powder gets up to the hair-line, but not in the hair; one of those excellent make-up scarfs for the times you have to powder after your dress is on; an immaculate powder-puff for applying, and a little powder-brush or cotton for whisking off. Thus equipped, you pat the powder generously all over your face, even over closed eyes, until you look be-floured, then

whisk off all superfluous amount. That is the method that gives the smooth, mat finish that no dabbing or wiping will ever accomplish.

Perhaps, it is the fact that delicate make-up is having a definite vogue or that people have gone in less for deep tanning; whatever it is, you sense a trend towards lighter powder shades at the moment, and the deep roseate colours suddenly look a little old. As to weights in powder, it is an exploded theory that heavy powders give you the best make-up. This may have been true once, but all you have to do now to disprove it is to compare the effects on your face of the modern powders, with their incredible filmy lightness, with powders of a heavy type. It is all right to stick to old friends, but you'll find that the right kind change with the times.

ROUGE



Unlike Gaul, all rouge is divided into two parts: cream and powder. Cream rouge is probably the most difficult thing to master in make-up, but, once you get it right, it is the most flattering, and it lasts 'til you take it off. Cream rouge, of course, goes on before powder, and here are the primer rules. Have a moist skin and moist finger-tips. Dot it on in tiny dots on the centre of the cushion beneath the eyes and

blend it quickly. Actually, you should put cream rouge on about fifteen minutes before the rest of your make-up, if that is possible, because the blending brings up deceptive natural colour and the rouge skins in a bit anyway. Never get the rouge below the centre of the cheek; never concentrate it on the cheekbone; always carry it out to the hair-line. These last sound obvious, but consider some of the paint jobs you see around every day.

Dry rouge should be put on lightly, and the best thing for this is a light, fairly large puff. Don't depend on the little puff in your compact for the original application. If you use both cream and dry rouge, they should match meticulously, and they must, of course, be in the same tone as your lipstick. However, you don't have to concern yourself with a precise match for rouge and lipstick, because sometimes a lighter tone of rouge proves more flattering.

A touch of rouge in the middle of your chin can give a nice effect of modelling without producing a dimple. Rouge very lightly applied under your eyes when they have tired circles takes years off your face. Colour carried out far on the cheeks will broaden the effect of your face; emphasised slightly in the cheek-bones will narrow it, provided always it is skilfully

LIPSTICK



To put lipstick on perfectly, you must use the tissue trick. Wield the stick carefully and liberally. Get the colour on the inside of your lips, as well as outside (use your finger if necessary), and allow a minute for "setting." Then fit a tissue between the lips and press down on it firmly. Wipe off any minute streak on the teeth, and don't moisten your lips or smoke a cigarette for a few minutes. When you put fresh lipstick on during the day, first wipe off what remains of the old with a tissue from one of those convenient little packets made to carry about in your hand-bag. It is the new layer over an uneven base that gives the smudged look at the day's end.

Don't follow the exact line of your mouth with lipstick if you aren't pleased with your natural contour. Lip pencils help you outline a more flattering mouth within or without your natural confines, to be filled in with lipstick. Lip-brushes with paste rouge, as the make-up experts use them, do good work in creating a new shape for your mouth, but you have to practise for this one. If your lips are really dried, as they can become in some climates, use a lipstick base. Have a deeper, more vivid, lipstick for night than for day, and remember in applying it that evening lights drain yellow tones, but won't affect blue-reds.

WORTH NOTING

To remove those white water stains from your hardwood floors, first rinse the spotted area with cold water. Then rub it well with a cloth dipped in two cups of clear water in which two tablespoonsful of spirits of camphor have been placed. Next wipe the area dry and apply floor polish.

A blanket spread over the eider-down and tucked in at the sides, will give extra warmth on chilly and prevent the bedclothes from slipping off.

Black stockings are as good as black tissue paper for wrapping gold and silver shoes in. Slip one shoe into each stocking.

Labels that have become stuck together can be separated by covering the pile with paper and pressing with a hot iron.

Hard-boiled eggs should be plunged into cold water with their shells on, as soon as they are done. This will prevent the outside part of the yolk from turning green.

Knocks, etc., against furniture can be easily avoided by cutting 18-inch lengths of old cycle tube, which can be slipped over the handles of brooms and mops and act as excellent buffers.

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A LONDON LETTER

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Mayfair Society Dresses Conservatively—King George To Open Empire Exhibition

Here in London, the Queen's taste is doing things to Grosvenor, Bruton and Bond streets, the centres of English fashion. Where a year ago the great London dressmakers took their tips from Paris and catered to the sophisticated taste of the famous cafe set, to-day they're going easy on the brazen innovations they used to fall for in a big and handsome way.

A year ago, London dressmakers were apologizing—by intimation—for the clothes they made for royal consumption. They let you know that they'd do a job as sleek, chic and modern as Paris if they had their way. To-day they boast about how English their Queen's taste is, and how well they can interpret it.

CONSERVATORY TREND

Queen Elizabeth's influence is seen out around the town as well. While there is a small band of die-hards, making a lot of noise in London's hot spots, who go in for being more Parisian than the French are, many English women in Mayfair society are following the conservatory trend.

They are wearing their skirts rather long, even in the morning, though across the channel skirts are brisk and brief, as Paris likes them. Those skyline, streamlined styles that the French capital headlines, are tempered into easy and comfortable lines which reveal no lady's secrets of the flesh. High, hard toques are rare, and the Queen's taste in millinery is the reason for the vogue of brimmed hats with modest crowns.

QUEEN'S COLOURS

English colours, too, are becoming the Queen's colours. Shocking pinks, purples and greens are occasional, while the soft heather browns, lady-like pinks, parchment and flattering blues are what English women wear most. Black, beloved of Paris, is now a reigning colour here in London, but more because the Queen often wears black than because it's a French passion.

Where Queen Elizabeth has done the most effective job of influencing clothes, is in her determination to have what she likes to wear, and not what some dressmaker thinks she ought to have. There is actually a renaissance of individual taste among increasing numbers of women who follow her lead. The Queen often combines models when she selects her clothes, and the combining idea is getting a hold over here.

This winter the Queen has a gorgeous new evening cloak of white ermine, full length and trimmed with lots and lots of silver fox. The Queen likes white evening dresses, and though she wears beaded frocks, she doesn't particularly like sequins.

SPOTLIGHT ON GLASGOW

Interest is now centred on Glasgow where, at Bellahouston Park, King George will open, in May, the

Empire exhibition, the largest to be held in Britain since the Wembley exhibition of 1924-25.

The layout, which covers 170 acres, is under the control of Thomas S. Tait, F.R.I.B.A. (Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects), who was responsible for the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Australia, and for the new government offices on Calton Hill, Edinburgh.

The general plan of the exhibition falls into five sections. They lie around a central tower, 490 feet above sea level, commanding views of eighty miles of Scottish Highlands, built on a hill in the centre of the ground. On the north side of the tower is the purely cultural or non-commercial section. Here will be the Palace of Arts, which is being built of "snow-crete" slabs on brick, for it is to be a permanent building. It will house, among other treasures, a special collection of old Scots masters. Two Scottish pavilions are to make a picture of ancient and modern Scotland.

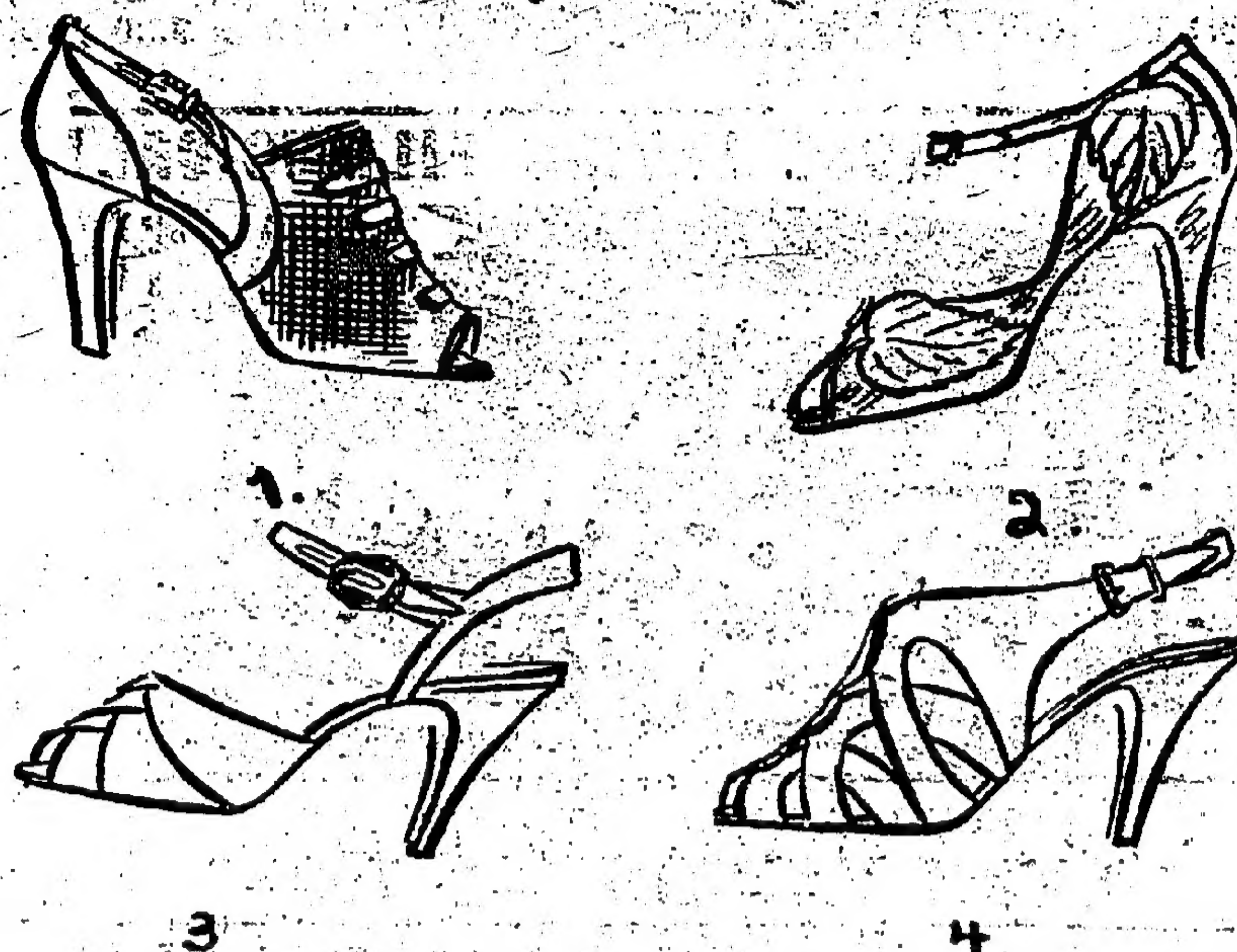
Military history will be prominent, and a 40 or 50-foot relief map of Scotland on the floor of one pavilion, with working trains, ships, etc., will give a bird's-eye view of the land. Also in this section are a concert hall, seating 2000, where the advertising convention will meet in June, and the British government pavilion, which will show the significance of science and research to men throughout the Empire. Nearby will be a Highland clachan, complete with burn and loch, ruined castle and Highland cottages of different styles. Here Highland home industries will be shown.

TO SHOW PROGRESS

On the south side of the tower are the British Commercial section, the Dominions avenue and the Colonial avenue, facing one another across a large lake, and 30 acres of fair ground. There will be a Lucullus restaurant, providing Glasgow with something resembling an American country club, and although there will be no Sunday opening of the exhibition, it will contain three churches.

The main objects of the exhibition are to illustrate the progress of the British Empire at home and overseas, to show the resources and potentialities of the British Empire to the new generation, to stimulate Scottish work and production, to foster imperial trade and close friendship among the British Commonwealth and to emphasize to the world the peaceful aspirations of the British Commonwealth.

SPOTLIGHT ON FEET



Here are four new modes for after dark occasions, and what feminine feet can resist stepping out in either one of them? 1. Mesh grows more important for evening sandals—these are black mesh, with satin bands stepping up the front and covering the heels. 2. Four gold leaves half cover these black crepe sandals to add glamour for evening. 3. You'll love the way this shoe hugs your ankle—it's made of supple black satin arches, which grow larger as they climb the instep. 4. Curved bands of white faille alternate with curved bands of white satin in this heelless dancing slipper. Gold piping edges the toe.

Worth Noting

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Potatoes for baking should be covered with diced mint jelly; peeled and soaked in hot water for 15 minutes before being put into the oven. They will take less time to cook and have a much better flavour.

Raisins will not stick to the packet if placed in hot water for a few minutes.

String used for tying up parcels should be soaked in water first. It will not stretch and become loose while in the post if this is done.

Use a few drops of methylated spirit in the water when you are washing stockings. It prevents them from becoming spotted in rainy weather.

Vinegar, a small quantity of which should be added to the boiling water when cooking cabbage or cauliflower, prevents an unpleasant smell.

When doing any painting, cover an old tray with a sheet of cardboard so that you can set down your paint pot and brushes without fear of any paint getting on your furniture.

Use a tray to put leftovers from a meal in the refrigerator. This saves ice or electricity as well as footsteps for the homemaker.

Moisture in the refrigerator encourages the growth of bacteria, causing food to spoil. Wipe off all moisture inside the refrigerator and be careful to remove spilled foods.

Suggested garnishes for fowl: Prunes stuffed with diced, spiced pears; orange slices candied and covered with cranberry jelly; candied grapefruit slices spread with apple jelly; cranberry jelly rounds.

Try steaming Brussels sprouts, broccoli, celery, asparagus, onions, carrots, cauliflower or turnips. They won't lose so much flavour and will also cook in less time than they would if boiled. Use a regular steamer or put the vegetable in a large strainer or colander and suspend it in a kettle of boiling water an inch above the water line.

Lime, lemon, pineapple or mint ice makes a refreshing topping for fruit juice or diced fruit cocktails. The ice also may be used to top a holiday punch bowl filled with chilled fruit beverages.

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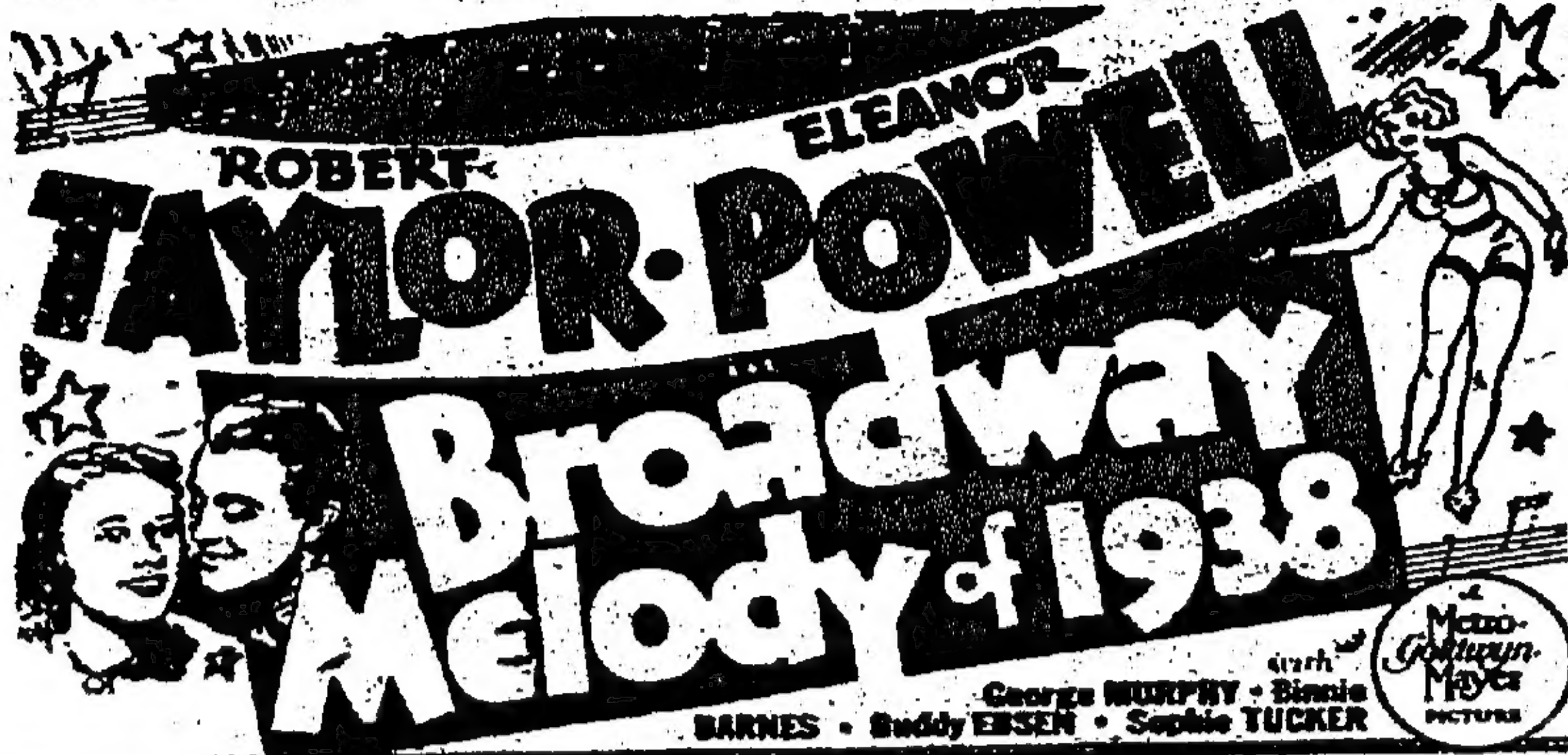
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**KING FAROUK
OPENS
CONFERENCE**

Cairo, To-day.

King Farouk returned to Cairo yesterday to attend the opening of the International Tele-Communications Conference, at which representatives of sixty-two nations are present.

The young King returned in the evening to his country estate where he is spending his honeymoon. — Reuter.

1,500 PROPOSALS

Cairo, To-day.

The Congress will discuss about 1,500 proposals and suggested alterations in the field of telegram transmission by cable and wireless.

Another question to be discussed is the Egyptian proposal for erection of a 100-kilowatt transmitter for the Near East. — Trans-Ocean.

**PROTEST REPORTS
DENIED**

London, To-day.

Press reports stating that the Italian Government has protested in London against the Earl of Athlone's planned visit to Egypt and Saudi Arabia, are emphatically denied in Whitehall.

The private nature of the Earl's visit is once again stressed. — Trans-Ocean.

Wong Fat-lau, aged eight, was taken to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries received when he was knocked down by a car driven by Mr. H. Murray, of Empress Lodge, on the Sai Kung Road yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. "Chitral" left Shanghai yesterday and is due here to-morrow at about 2 p.m.

**"DISCIPLINE SEEMS TO
HAVE BEEN NIL:" JAPANESE
JAILED IN SILKWORTH CASE**

"In a case like this, I am inclined to take a very serious view. Discipline on this ship seems to have been nil and although that may be all right under a foreign flag, under the British flag it is not good enough."

"The ship's company appears to have been in a state bordering on mutiny and accused seems to have carried that into fact. Not only did he strike the Third Officer with his fist but he also went below and returned with a lethal weapon."

These comments were passed by the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, in sentencing H. Wakisita, Japanese quartermaster of the s.s. Silkworth at the Marine Court this morning for an assault on the Third Officer of that vessel on the morning of January 29, whilst on a voyage from Hong Kong to the Philippines.

Accused was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Complainant, Mr. A. Sanuki, Third Officer of the Silkworth, told the Court that at 9.15 a.m., he received an order from the Chief Officer regarding a job which had to be done. He told the bos'n that all business in connection with the cleaning of the bridge should be in the hands of the quartermaster.

CAPTAIN TAKES OUT PISTOL

The quartermaster, accused, said that as he was not on duty, he would not take the job and asked witness to go to the first engineer who would be able to report to the Chief Engineer regarding the duties he had been engaged on that morning.

"Accused told me to go to see the chief engineer, the interpreter. I told him to go himself. He insisted that I should go so I went to the Captain and Chief Officer and reported the matter."

Accompanied by the Captain and Chief Officer, I returned to the bridge where the Quartermaster was waving a stick which he held in his hand. The captain took his pistol out and accused became quiet.

Up to this time the sailors had been below but they now came on to the bridge. They did not know what was happening but said to the captain "If you shoot this man, you shoot us as well."

TURNED BACK

The second engineer then came on the bridge and appeased the crew, accused remarking, "I am responsible for all this trouble."

The captain then ordered the ship to turn back for Hong Kong.

His Worship: When are you coming to the assault? You have told us a lot about what happened on the bridge, but you have said nothing about an assault.

Witness: There was no particular assault. When accused asked me to fetch the chief engineer, he was waving the stick about and he just pushed me.

STRUCK WITH STICK

His Worship (Impatiently): I have never heard evidence given so badly in my life. You're wasting my time and I'm a busy man. When did the assault occur?

Witness: When the captain came on the bridge at 9.20, accused struck me with a stick in the presence of the captain and chief officer.

Capt. John Jackson, master of the Silkworth, said: "On the day in question, the bos'n was ordered, in my presence, to wash down the

deck. While the third officer was talking to the bos'n about the order, accused entered into conversation with the latter. Their discussion was in Japanese and I did not understand it.

Finally accused struck the third officer on the hand and was pulled away by the bos'n. Accused then ran to the lower deck and secured a steel poker and returned and attempted to assault the third officer with it.

CREW THREATENING

As I saw the Japanese crew approaching, I went to my room and loaded a .455 revolver and returned on deck to find several members of the crew in a threatening attitude.

The chief officer and second officer gave corroborative evidence.

ACCUSED'S STATEMENT

Accused stated that the evidence of the third officer was correct. He did not intend harming either the captain or the ship. The question of the duty was to be settled between the third officer and himself. "I can't add anything else and I take responsibility regarding the assault on him."

Sentence was then passed as stated.

**BERCOVITCH-
BRASILEVSKY
WEDDING**

The marriage between Miss Ida Brasilevsky, and Mr. Samuel Bercovitch, of Messrs. Marsman (Hong Kong China) Limited, which took place before The Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. W. A. Jones, this morning at the Registry was followed by another ceremony, conducted according to Hebrew rites, at the Jewish Synagogue this afternoon.

Misses L. and R. Bercovitch, in beautiful gowns of white satin, attended in the capacity of bridesmaids, while the bride was also elegantly attired in white-lace and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Miss Dolores Hughes, in a blue-coloured dress was the flower-girl.

The bride was given away by Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, while Mr. W. Citrin attended the bridegroom as bestman.

A reception was held later in the evening at No. 4, Shouson Hill Road, the residence of Mr. Emil Landau.

CLOUDY GENERALLY

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone continues to be stationary over China and the neighbouring seas and has increased slightly in intensity. Pressure is highest to the north west of Shantung.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally.

FRANCO'S NEW CALL TO WAR

Salamanca, To-day.
General Franco has called to the colours men born in the first quarter of 1919, who are not normally due for military service until 1940.

All men in insurgent Spain between the ages of 18 and 21 are already serving in the army.—Reuter.

SOVIET POLAR PARTY MAROONED

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet North Pole meteorological expedition reports that as the result of a sudden cyclone lasting six days, the drifting ice floe on which the expedition is camped, has cracked.

This has marooned the party on an ice field measuring 300 yards by 200, and has severed them from their two bases and storehouse.

Nevertheless, Prof. Papanin, leader of the expedition, begs Moscow not to worry.

Prof. Papanin reports that a fissure appeared under the expedition's tent, forcing them to move into their snowhouse.

They were able to save everything from the fuel and general stores in the tent before the fissure widened the channel, and therefore no great danger at present attends the scientists.

600-MILE DRIFT

Nevertheless, the relief expedition is expediting preparations and leaves for Murmansk to-day.

The ice breaker Taimyr loaded with a number of aeroplanes, is ready to sail immediately to the locality of the ice floe which has drifted from the North Pole 600 miles towards Greenland.—Reuter.

The P. and O. s.s. "Comorin" from Singapore is due here on the 3rd instant at about 10 a.m.

Innovation At The War Office

London, To-day.

The War Office announces that conferences have begun between the Chief of the Imperial General Staff and the Commanders of first class commands.

They are being held to give effect to the announcement made by the War Secretary in the Commons in connection with the recent Army Council changes, when he stated that in future the commanders of war formations would be more closely associated with the control of military policy.

The first conference took place at the War Office yesterday.

The Secretary for War attended the conference and addressed the commanders. The conference, which sat throughout the day, examined arrangements for ensuring the rapid conduct of business between the War Office and Commands and also schemes for the reorganisation of the army.

Conferences will be held at regular intervals and will be known as the Commanders' Council.

It is also stated that in order to promote the rapid conduct of business in the War Office and unify quickly the separate action of various departments, a standing committee of the Army Council has been set up, the purpose of which is to discuss general administrative questions and the progress of important matters which have come under discussion or upon which action is proceeding.

Meetings of this body, which is in frequent session, are in addition to the periodical meetings of the full Army Council.

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CURIOSITY IN THE COMMONS

London, To-day.
Parliament re-assembled yesterday and in the Commons nearly one hundred questions appearing on the Order Paper were supplemented by several put by private notice.
After questions, the House turned, as is usual on the day of reassembly, to business of secondary importance.—British Wireless.

ROYAL BABY NAMED

Soestdijk, To-day.
Princess Juliana's baby was named Beatrix Wilhelmina Armgaard at the official registration ceremony at the Palace yesterday afternoon.—Reuter.

Full name of the little Princess thus will be Beatrix Wilhelmina Armgaard, Princess of Orange and Princess of Lippe-Biesterfeld.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINA COMMUNIST PARTY'S ALLIANCE WITH THE KUOMINTANG

Hankow, To-day.

In view of the negotiations offered by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek with the Communist Party concerning eventual collaboration between the latter and the Kuomintang a representative of Trans-Ocean took the opportunity of asking one of the leading members of the Communist Party, Mr. Cho Wen-lai, for his opinion of the situation.

Mr. Cho Wen-lai declared that since the beginning of hostilities with Japan the Communist Party had closely collaborated with the Kuomintang, for her security against foreign aggression was an essential condition of China's national existence. For this reason, he said, the Communist party had resolved to do everything possible to strengthen national resistance to Japan. The Party would not be dissolved but it had voluntarily undertaken to reorganise the Red Army as an integral part of the Chinese national army.

The Communist Party had recognised that in the hour of peril the life of the Chinese nation could only be preserved by the union of all sections of the population, and, therefore, it had declared to work under the leadership of the Kuomintang.

RELATIONS DISTURBED

Mr. Cho recalled that ten years ago the Kuomintang and the Communist Party had entertained the friendliest relations which, meanwhile, had been disturbed by the failure of the Kuomintang to realise the Party's social and political programme. Both Parties, however, according to Mr. Cho, were equally interested in seeing China emerge successfully from the war and in establishing a democratic republic.

Mr. Cho Wei-lai stressed that after the war the Communist Party would be willing to play the political part to which it was entitled in a democratic regime. He expressed confidence that the co-operation between the Kuomintang and the Communist Party would be continued after the war, and voiced the hope that such co-operation would lead to a reconstruction of a Chinese empire on stronger foundations.

DECLARATIONS CONFIRMED

Referring to these declarations of the Communist leader, a spokesman of the Chinese Foreign Office confirmed that the Communist Party in a manifesto issued last July had renounced its policy of conquering power in China by force and of the confiscation of private property. It had also renounced the organisation of a separate Red Army, and on this basis co-operation with the Kuomintang had been rendered possible.

The spokesman added that on condition that the supremacy of the Kuomintang be recognised the latter would be prepared to grant equality of rights to the Communist Party in the future provided that the Communists remain within the bounds of legality.—Trans-Ocean.

ANTI-NAZI EXHIBITION PROTEST

Paris, To-day.

The German Ambassador to France has protested to the French Government against the anti-Nazi exhibition in Paris. The exhibition has been strongly criticised in the German press and denounced as an insult to the German people.—Reuter.

SOVIET NAVAL AND COASTAL DEFENCES

Moscow, To-day.

Details of the growth of the Soviet navy and central defences in recent years, are given by M. Smirnov, newly appointed Commissar for the Navy, in an article in "Pravda."

He said that the navy and coastal defences have grown immensely in quality and quantity, especially the submarine fleet.

Soviet battleships had been fully modernised.

Fortified coastal areas were three-fold greater than five years ago, while artillery armament of the coastal defence was one and a half times greater.

M. Smirnov claimed that the navy was ready to repel any attack.—Reuter.

AIR BOMBING VENDETTAS IN SPAIN

Paris, To-day.

The Premier, M. Camille Chautemps, declaring that the Government considered it their imperative duty to try and bring about an end to the "appalling air bombing vendettas in Spain," stated yesterday:

"With M. Delbos (the Foreign Minister), I have begun negotiations to gain the help of other Powers.

"In addressing an urgent appeal to the feelings of humanity of governments and peoples, we have no doubt that they will give their support." — Reuter.

TIVOLI MUNITION WORKS DISASTER

Rome, To-day.

First official list of identified dead in the terrible munitions factory explosion on Saturday, gives only 18 names.

At the same time, it is announced that work in some departments of the factory will be resumed in the middle of this week.—Trans-Ocean.

DOCKERS TO BOYCOTT JAPAN

London Joins Middlesbrough And Southampton

Decision Likely To Take Effect Next Week

London, To-day.

Stevedores were urged at a meeting near the Royal Dock gate, Silvertown, the East End yesterday not to handle Japanese goods and to join the Southampton and Middlesbrough boycott.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT AFTER THIS WEEK, DOCKERS WILL REFUSE TO DEAL WITH JAPANESE CARGOES.

Work on the "Haruna Maru," in the Royal Albert Docks, is at a standstill. Stevedores refused to work her yesterday when she arrived from Antwerp.

One of the strikers said that a barge loaded with bar iron was lying alongside her, and "whether it was intended for armaments or not, we decided that it would not reach Japan through our hands."

TO SAIL ON SCHEDULE

N.Y.K. officials declare that it is soft strong iron from Birmingham for anchor chains for their own ships.

The "Haruna Maru" will embark her passengers and will sail for the Far East on Friday this week in accordance with schedule.—Reuter.

RIVAL CLAIMS FROM THE BATTLE FRONTS

Shanghai, To-day.

Breaking the stiff resistance of the Chinese which had held up the Japanese drive in the southern section of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, Japanese troops have occupied Linhwaikwan, 25 miles by rail from Pengpu, according to Japanese press reports.

Meanwhile, Chinese despatches claim that one of five columns attacking Tsining has reached the city walls, which, it is stated, the Japanese are preparing to abandon.

Chinese reports state that following intensive pounding by three Japanese warships and a number of bombers, Chinese troops evacuated Tikiang, 33 miles above Wuhu.

TOWN RETAKEN

After the evacuation Japanese marines were landed but the Chinese, it is claimed, counter-attacked and forced them to return to their ships. The Chinese then reoccupied the town.—Reuter.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S PROGRESS

London, To-day.

The Dominions Secretary stated in a Commons answer that the general improvement in economic conditions in Newfoundland noted in a Commons reply last October has been maintained.—British Wireless.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Customs Authorities at Tanku (Tientsin) against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of cholera have been removed.

Prominent Britons On Anglo-German Understanding

Berlin, To-day.

Two well-known personalities in English political life, Lord Londonderry, former Air Minister, and Admiral Sir Barry Domville (Retired), the latter of whom has always been an advocate of Anglo-German understanding, gave interviews to the "Berliner Tageblatt" yesterday.

Lord Londonderry stated that it seemed to him that Germany had had more of the horrors of war than any other nation.

Herr Hitler, who fought in the Great War, and therefore fully knew its gruesomeness, had repeatedly shown very clearly that he desired peace and had advocated limitation of armaments.

The great powers, Lord Londonderry said, should agree as to what are the methods of maintaining peace, and he hoped that the possibilities of arranging a conference of the four great Powers would be examined within the next few months.

Admiral Sir Barry Domville said he was convinced that Herr Hitler urgently desired peace, as he knew how aimless war was.—Trans-Ocean.

TRADE TREATY NEGOTIATIONS

London, To-day.

The President of the Board of Trade informed the Commons at question-time that the British Ambassador in Washington would be one of the British delegates for the negotiation of a trade agreement with the United States. The rest of the delegation would leave for Washington shortly and would include officers of the Dominions Office and the Ministry of Agriculture.—British Wireless.

227 M.P.H. IN BRITISH AIRWAYS PLANES

London, To-day.

The British Airways regular morning plane, to Scandinavia flew from Croydon to Hamburg yesterday in two hours, a journey normally taking one hour longer. The average speed for the flight of 454 miles was 227 miles an hour.—British Wireless.

HUGE SHIPMENTS OF SILVER

London, To-day.

The "News Chronicle" states that during the past nine or ten weeks, Chinese silver amounting to at least £18,000,000, has been sent to England, principally for purchase of war material.—Trans-Ocean.

CHAMBERLAIN AND VAN ZEELAND REPORT

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, paid a tribute to M. Paul van Zeeland at question time in the House of Commons yesterday "for his masterly report which the Government would study as an urgent matter."

Mr. Chamberlain did not doubt it would be followed up by steps to bring about co-operation.

There was no question of definite action by one government alone, and he deprecated the expression of any government's view publicly before it heard the views of other governments.

He, therefore, preferred to await the result of the preliminary soundings, but thought that primary responsibility for the next move would lie with the British and French Governments who had asked M. van Zeeland to undertake the enquiry.—Reuter.

The B. I. Steamship Santhia will leave for Amoy, Moji, Kobe and Osaka on or about Thursday 3, Feb., 1938, at 7 a.m.

particularly at Haifa and Tel Aviv. He hoped shortly to be in a position to make a statement regarding the personnel and the visit to Palestine of the proposed technical commission.—British Wireless.

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REFORM OF THE LEAGUE

Lord Cranborne's Report To Be Sent To Assembly

GENERAL OPPOSITION TO MEDDLING WITH ARTICLE XVI

Geneva, To-day.

No definite results are to be expected from the session of the committee of 28, which has been charged with examining the question of League reform.

The British delegation is expected to propose that the declarations drawn up by the committee be submitted to the governments of the various nations represented at Geneva before the question of reform be further dealt with.

During yesterday's session, the Polish delegate said that though universality of the League should be the ultimate aim, the actual situation should above all be taken into consideration.

The Argentine delegate stressed the necessity of universality of the League, and referred to Lord Cranborne's report, particularly those passages speaking of universality.

COORDINATION OF COVENANT
He said the time was not yet ripe for reform of the League Covenant, but it would nevertheless be as well to lay down rules for reform.

He suggested coordinating of the League Covenant with the Kellogg Pact and the Buenos Aires Agreement, and of inviting new members to take part.—Trans-Ocean.

SPATE OF ORATORY

Geneva, To-day.
There was a spate of oratory in the committee of twenty-eight yesterday.

M. Paul Boncour (France) strongly defended the principles of collective security and Article XVI, and strongly pleaded for intangibility of the provisions of the Covenant.

Senor del Vayo (Spain) said that Spain, though disappointed at its treatment by the League, favoured maintenance of the entire Covenant.

CANADA'S VIEW

The Canadian Government representative said that Canada favoured every practical effort to attain substantial universality of the League.

Lord Cranborne (Britain), summing up, said that on all sides there had been evidence of continued attachment to the principles of the Covenant, and he was convinced of belief in the essential importance of maintaining the collective system.

He emphasised that the British Government did not intend to weaken in support of the League.

REPORT TO ASSEMBLY

He suggested that the report be submitted to the Assembly.

It is expected that the committee to-day will adopt the proposal and then adjourn sine die.—Reuter.

SPAIN BLOODSHED

Geneva, To-day.

A note of warning against any attempt to reform the League Covenant, was sounded by the representatives of Republican Spain and Mexico in the committee of twenty-eight yesterday.

Senor del Vayo (Spain) said that the present suffering of the Spanish people was the direct outcome of the fact that the Covenant had never

been made effective.

"The blood being shed in Spain to-day, is being shed because the powers held back from fulfilling the terms of the Covenant," he declared.

"Whoever seeks to revise the Covenant is merely seeking to bring about its downfall."

OBJECTIVE ACTION

The Mexican delegate said that if no decision had been reached in the Far Eastern conflict, it was because no objective action had been taken to proclaim Japan the aggressor.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINA AND RUSSIA

Geneva, To-day.

Both Dr. Wellington Koo (China) and M. Maxim Litvinoff (Russia) agreed in the committee of 28 yesterday that Article XVI of the Covenant should not only be retained but reinforced.

Dr. Koo said he knew from his own experience that the Covenant had never been drawn up with a view to its universal character, and emphasised that it was wrong to attribute all the failures of the League to its want of universality or to the shortcomings of Article XVI.

STRICT APPLICATION

Existing conflicts might have the result of strengthening, instead of weakening, the League, but to achieve that it would be necessary that all States members should apply the Covenant.

BIRMINGHAM LEAVES FOR HONG KONG

London, To-day.
H.M.S. Birmingham left Portsmouth yesterday for the China Station on her maiden commission under the command of Captain E. J. P. Brind.
She is the first of the new 9,000-ton cruisers to be sent to the Far East.—Reuter.

NEW CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

London, To-day.

Admiral Sir Roger Backhouse has been appointed Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Chief of Naval Staff, in succession to Admiral Lord Chatfield, to date about September, 1938.

Admiral Lord Chatfield served as First Sea Lord for five years, and is continuing in this office for an additional period at the express wish of the Government.—Reuter.

COLONY MARKETS

London, To-day.

Mr. H. C. H. Bull, until recently London representative of the Kenya Coffee Board, has now assumed duty as Secretary to the new Colonial Empire Marketing Board.—British Wireless.

lieve that it would be necessary that all States members should apply the Covenant.

Strict application of the Covenant would be better than any revision.

Dr. Koo criticised the proposal to render Sanctions optional since this would only contribute to increase discord.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. NAVAL VISIT TO SINGAPORE

London, To-day.

The "Daily Telegraph," in a leading article this morning on the opening of the Singapore naval base, says "It is entirely a happy circumstance that that notable occasion will be further signalled by the visit of three cruisers of the United States Navy.

"Those ships have just left Sydney after a friendly stay amid a tumultuously cordial sendoff, and their reception in Singapore will not be less warm.

"Whatever dissatisfaction may have been manifested locally does not reflect official or public opinion in this country, which regards the courtesy visit of the United States cruisers as an exceptionally welcome and timely event."—Reuter.

PHRASE ALTERED

London, To-day.

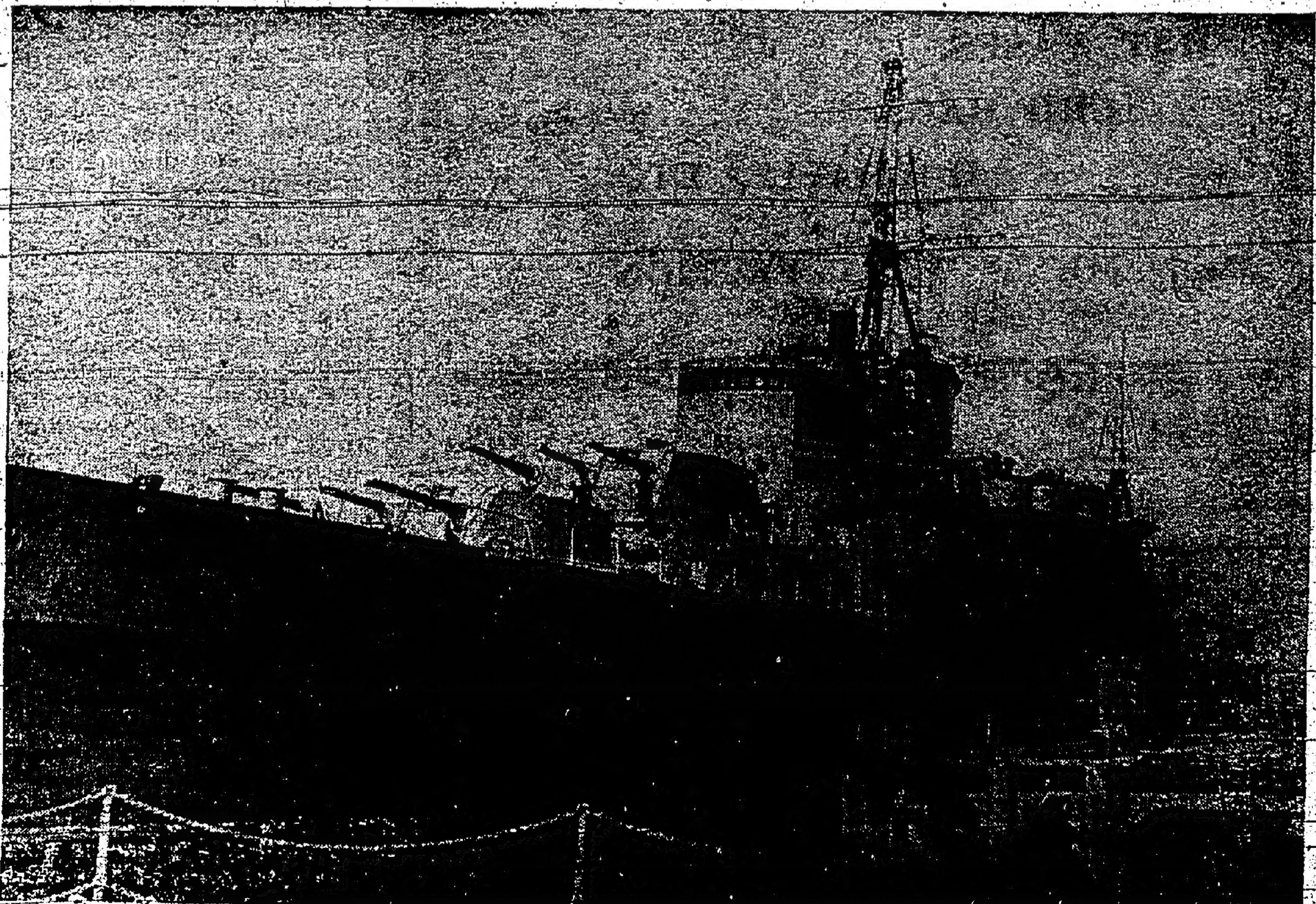
The "Daily Telegraph" leader on the Singapore naval base opening was altered in the later editions this morning, in which the last sentence now reads:

"The United States may be assured that any criticism of the visit which has been reported does not reflect official or public opinion in this country, which regards the courtesy visit of the United States cruisers as an exceptionally welcome and timely event."—Reuter.

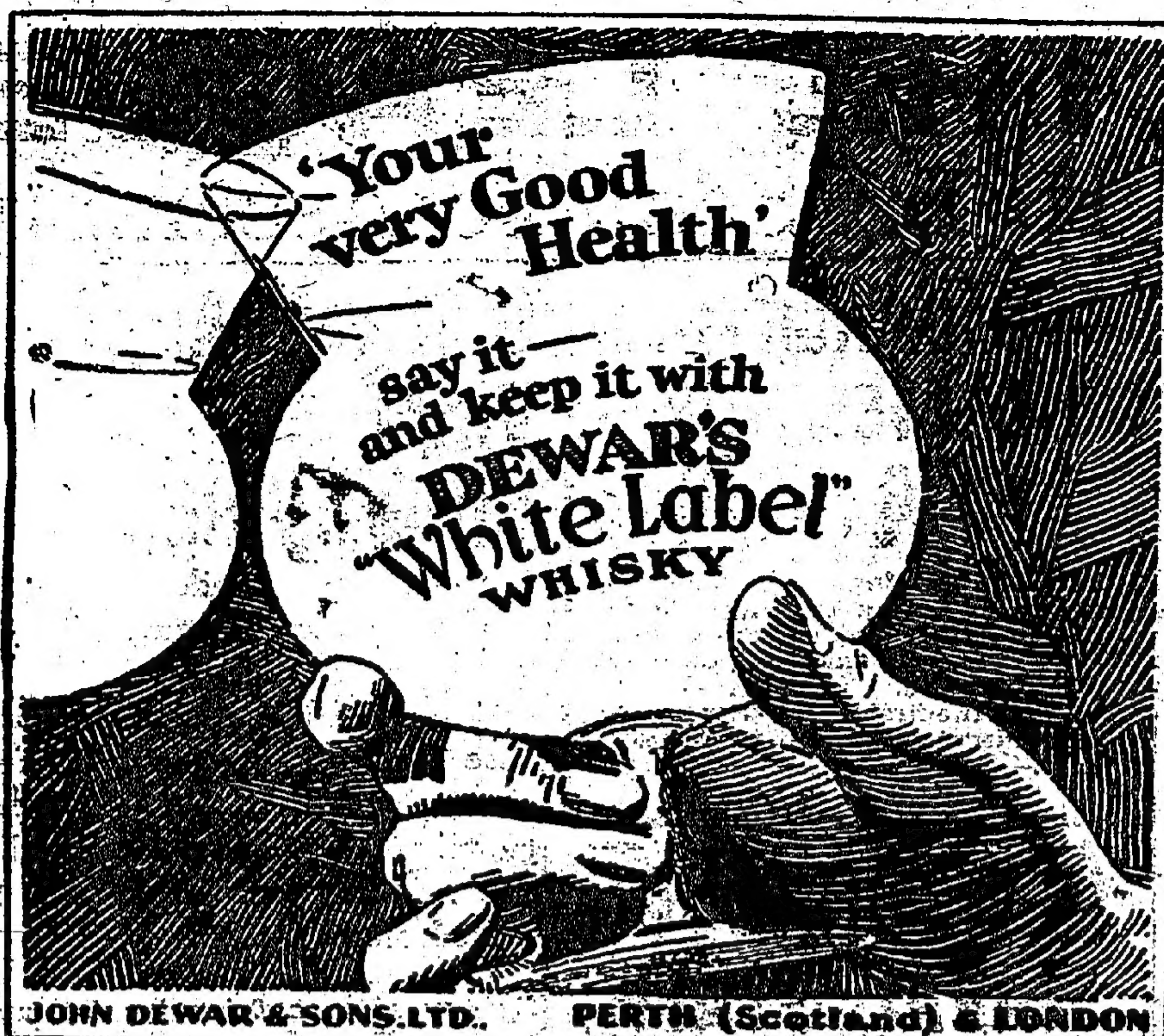
THE BRITISH TREASURY

London, To-day.

Exchequer returns show total ordinary revenue at £622,869,231 against £590,942,741 a year ago. Total expenditure, less self balancing items, is £715,306,925 against £668,554,995 a year ago.—British Wireless.



H.M.S. Birmingham, one of the new Southampton type cruisers, which left for Hong Kong yesterday. Other ships of this type will later be sent out to join the China Squadron.



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AT THE FOUNTAIN

Low used to be so rude as to draw the National Government as a two-headed donkey. This we were always assured by Ministers, was most unfair. Never was there a more united band of brothers than the Cabinets of the MacDonald and Baldwin Administrations, and, of course, the harmony is even more perfect to-day. A little damage was done by the resignations after Ottawa, and particularly by Lord Snowden's indiscreet revelations. But when the Free-traders had been expelled things quietened down, and it was considered impious to hint that Mr. Runciman, the ex-apostle of Free Trade, was not getting on nicely with Mr. Elliot, the Tory-Socialist autarkist. But now, in his position of greater freedom and less responsibility, Lord Runciman feels no need to disguise his emotions. In a New Year message he proclaims:

Dodges, however, and too much Government-tampering with the organisation of industry may prove disastrous. I deplore and detest things like marketing boards and other Socialist contrivances. We had far better depend on the methods and energy of the creators of good business. For one who held a leading place in the Cabinet that endowed us with an extensive and peculiar system of marketing boards this is good. It is even better when one reflects on the amount of "tampering with the organisation of industry" that Lord Runciman and his own Department achieved during his six years at the Board of Trade. When the Free-traders filed out of the Cabinet-room in 1932, Lord Snowden records, Mr. Runciman seemed to be a very unhappy man, and "when we got outside he turned back and made a cryptic remark that he might be able to drink again at the fountain." That is five years ago. Lord Runciman has now taken his first gulp manfully. For the sake of the reputation of the National Government he must be begged to desist. There is no telling where he may get to. A few more sips and he may even become a Free-trader again and start giving the show away.

Armies Old and New

Someone at the War Office, after examining recent papers from members of public-school O.T.C.s who were sitting for cadets' certificates, has just reported himself as a little shocked by the lack of knowledge displayed. In particular he finds himself perplexed by the spell-

ing and geography; he has noted mistakes that are "rather startling as coming from candidates who had presumably matriculated or passed some equivalent educational test." Why presumably? It is by no means certain that all scholars at a public school can or will matriculate; still less certain that those who are keen on the O.T.C. will be up to that increasingly stiff standard of academic polish. Many a budding soldier (or one who once regarded himself in that light) has been a singularly bad speller; the displeased examiner at the War Office should look at his "Esmond" again and consider the case of "the young scapegrace" Frank Castlewood, who at the ripe age of one-and-twenty years decided to send in his papers, "having had enuf of soldering" and being determined, as proof of his having sowed his "wild otes," to marry his beloved Clotilda at Brussels. It is disturbing, perhaps, to discover that there are still Castlewoods as candidates for an ultimate commission who cannot spell "reconnaissance" and who think that Ceylon is an island in the Mediterranean; disturbing but not, the world being what it is, and young men what they are, specially surprising. The really important thing is to weed them out and to let them know that the Army is no longer a high-spirited haven for the fool of the family but a career which expects a mind as well as muscles and, above all things, a real capacity for mastering those dull things which are called details.

Practice Makes Perfect

When an Englishman teaching at a Japanese college returned to that seat of learning recently he was somewhat concerned for the well-being of a Japanese colleague who had the reputation, dangerous even in time of peace, of being a liberal and a pacifist. On the first day of the term, however, the Japanese teacher came to the Englishman's room, looking quite well satisfied with himself. Very soon he referred to the Chinese "incident," and imitating, as Japanese are apt to do, a model that had earned his admiration, he cried fervently, "My God, Mr. X! What else could we do?"

"Your pacifism . . . ?" murmured the Englishman tentatively.

The Japanese shook his head. "I know now that pacifism is not enough. What is needed to-day is practical pacifism."

Uniforms for M.P.s

It has been discovered that France's M.P.s ought to be wearing a uniform. At any rate a uniform was ordained for them in 1848 by the Cabinet, and the regulation still stands, though shy representatives of the people have long since recoiled from making themselves in 1848 consists of a black frock-coat, white waistcoat of special cut, black pants, and—now we come to the gaudy touch—a tricoloured red, white, and blue sash with a golden fringe. A little later a sword with mother-of-pearl handle was added.

Since swords are now somewhat out of date, it is being suggested in France that a couple of gilded hand-grenades might dangle from the sash instead.

ADMIRAL HASEGAWA ON HAINAN'S DESTINY

"Not Necessary At Present To Occupy Island"

ADMIRALTY REPLY TO ENDYMION SINKING

London, To-day.
As a result of the torpedoing of the British steamer "Endymion" in the Mediterranean, allegedly by an insurgent submarine, the First Lord of the Admiralty announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the British Government is taking steps to increase the naval patrol in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

TRINIDAD DISTURBANCES REPORT

London, To-day.
The Commission appointed to enquire into the disturbances in Trinidad and Tobago in June last in the Report published yesterday draw the conclusion that the immediate cause of the outbreak was the activities of a man they describe as a fanatical negro named Uriah Butler and the unruly element of which his following was mainly composed.

The true origin of the disturbances, however, must be traced to a more or less general sense of dissatisfaction which reached its culmination when the cost of living having risen, the earnings of the workpeople were not adjusted with sufficient promptitude.

The Commission speak also of the hesitant policy on the part of the Government in dealing with the hooligan element.

The Commission recommend the establishment of a Labour Department and an Industrial Court, the latter with the President appointed from outside the Colony and two Assessors, representative of employers and employees.

TRADE UNION ENCOURAGED.
A Secretary of Labour who must be a person with wide practical experience in dealing with industrial and labour questions.

The Commission favour the growth of organised trade unions, considering that the absence of machinery for collective bargaining was one of the chief contributory factors to the disturbances.—British Wireless.

DR. FUNK

Berlin, To-day.
Dr. Walter Funk, recently appointed to succeed Dr. Hjalmar Schacht as Economics Minister, has taken up duties.—Trans-Ocean.

SHELL FIRE AT BOCCA TIGRIS

Canton, To-day.
Shortly after 12 noon yesterday two Japanese gun-boats appeared in the vicinity of Bocca Tigris and were met with artillery fire from the forts.

The gun-boats replied immediately and the exchange of gun fire lasted about 20 minutes before the vessels left the neighbourhood in the direction of Lin Tin Islands.—Our Own Correspondent.

General Matsui's Criticism Of French Concession

Shanghai, To-day.

Important statements on Japan's future military plans in China, were made by the Japanese naval commander, Vice-Admiral Hasegawa, and the army chief, General Matsui, to the China correspondent of the "Paris Soir" yesterday.

Vice-Admiral Hasegawa stated that he did not consider it would be necessary at the present stage of military operations to occupy Hainan Island, which action would strongly affect French interests in the Far East.

It would be an easy task, he said, to occupy Hainan.

A further interesting observation was that he thought that the help given by foreign Powers, particularly by Britain, would not contribute greatly to China's resistance.

He anticipated that hostilities would continue for some considerable time, as occupation of Canton would not result in preventing the great Powers from delivering arms to China.

MATSUI AGGRESSIVE

General Matsui used more aggressive language in stating his opinions.

He began by expressing his dissatisfaction with the administration of the French Concession in Shanghai, which he charged was not taking steps to put an end to anti-Japanese activity in its territory.

General Matsui declared that the Japanese authorities in Shanghai would see themselves forced to adopt "positive measures" if this state of affairs was not altered.

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He added that the autonomous governments set up in various territories would be replaced by a single government in Shanghai in time, as it was not Japan's intention to separate the North from the rest of China, but to form a "united nation."

General Matsui concluded by saying that Japan will "probably not" attack Hankow for the time being.—Trans-Ocean.

SEIGO NAKANO SEES FUEHRER

Berlin, To-day.

Herr Hitler yesterday received the Japanese deputy and leader of the German-Japanese Comradeship in Tokyo, Seigo Nakano, who is engaged on a European tour.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE PROFESSOR CAUSES STIR

Tokyo, To-day.

Dr. Kotaro Tanaka, professor of commercial education at the Imperial University, has come into the limelight as the result of severe criticism given his book "Law, Religion and Social Life" by Viscount Keiko Mimurodo Konkuyukai.

In the course of the plenary session of the Upper House, the Viscount pointed out in an interpellation that the professor said in his book: "It is not good to make a nation as a whole worship at shrines."

"The best method would be to discontinue the habits of elementary schools which worship at shrines in groups."

"PROPER TREATMENT"

Terming the passages as running counter to the spirit of national policy, the Viscount urged the Government to mete proper treatment to the professor.

The Home Minister and the Minister of Education both promised to take the proper steps after making a careful investigation.—Reuter.

attempt to locate the enemy war fleet, now in an unknown position hundreds of miles out at sea.

Flying conditions are good, which it is stated favours the defenders considerably.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE'S WAR GAMES BEGIN

Singapore, To-day.

The large-scale manoeuvres, in which navy, army and air force are participating, have begun.

News of impending attack has been received, and air patrols are taking over the China Sea in an

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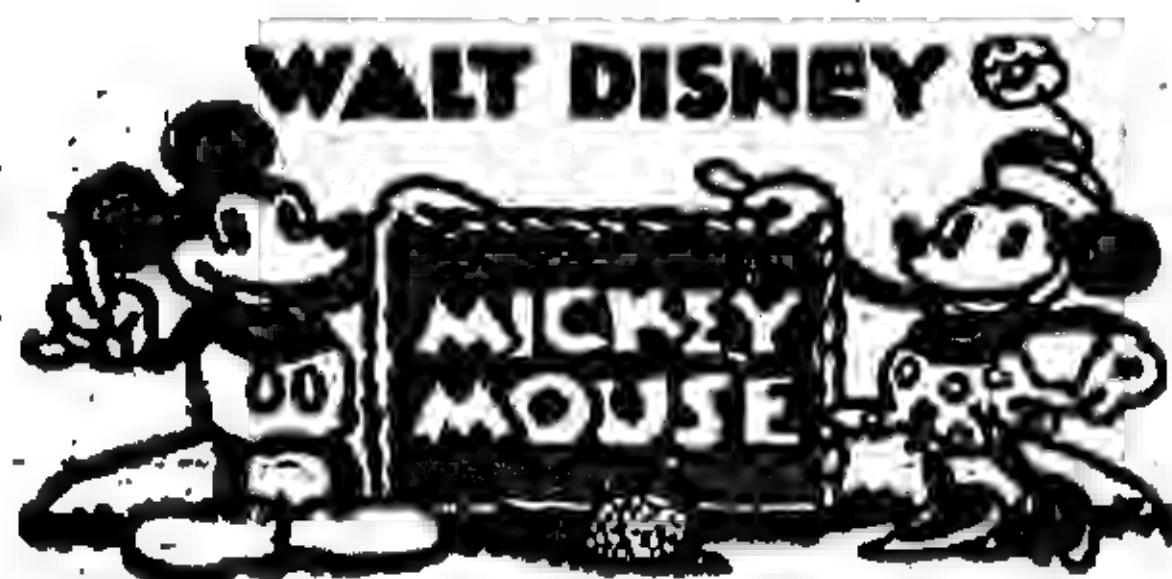
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Likely Outcome Of German Colonial Demands?

Paris, To-day.

An exchange of views on German colonial claims between a well-known German general and a blind French war veteran, appears in the current number of "Les Annales Coloniales."

The German view is expressed by General Ritter von Epp, head of the colonial bureau of the Nazi Party, and the reply is made by Georges Scapini, Deputy and president of the Franco-German war veterans' committee.

General von Epp argues that there is nothing unreasonable about Germany's colonial claims, which are simply for return of German overseas territories as being a vital necessity for Germany.

The western nations, which for ten centuries have shared a common civilisation, have every reason to bury the hatchet.

It is sheer nonsense when statesman appeal for general European appeasement without first recognising Germany's colonial demands and grant her the field of overseas activity so long enjoyed by other European countries.

ECONOMIC CHANGES

Replying to these arguments, M. Scapini says that it is only natural for Germany to reopen the debate on return of her former colonies. He doubts whether it will be possible to achieve this restoration.

Any all-round agreement would have to be implemented by economic reorganisation of Europe, which would then prepare the way for parallel changes in the African Continent.

Seen from this viewpoint, the German demands will lead in the last resort to a comprehensive plan for reorganisation of Europe and its colonial possessions.

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CHINA DENIES MANOEUVRE TO BRING IN U.S.

Geneva, To-day.

A statement issued by the press bureau of the Chinese delegation says that China's demand for effective action by the League against Japan's aggression, is completely legitimate and logical.

The statement refutes the suggestion that China launched the manoeuvres with the aim of bringing about intervention by the United States, as well as the assertion that the Chinese delegation, or some other delegation, is trying to involve the United States in the war.

It was absolutely necessary, the statement says, to keep the United States informed of the outcome of the Geneva negotiations. Trans-Ocean.

RUMANIAN ENVOY IN MOSCOW RECALLED

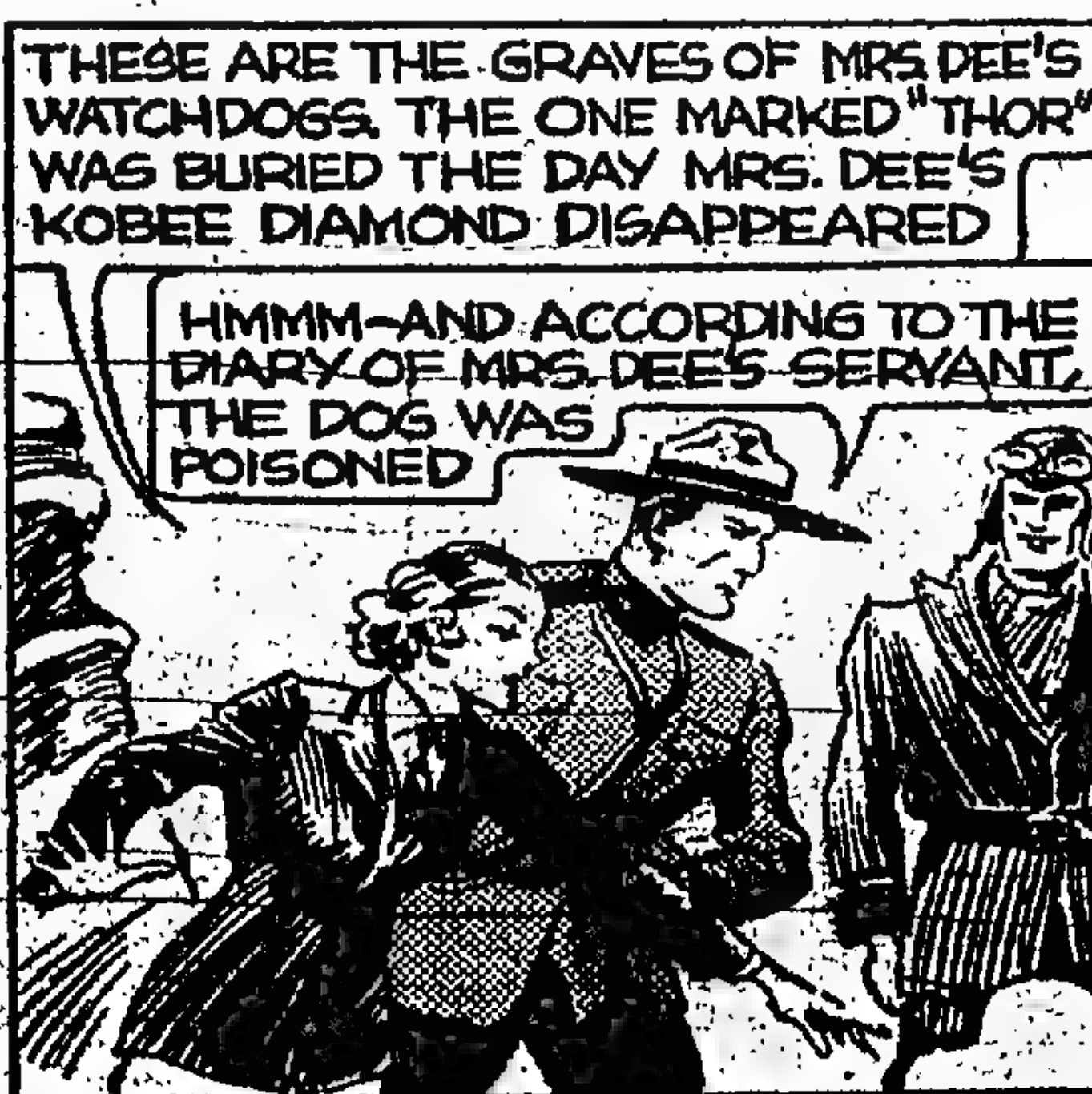
Moscow, To-day.

The Rumanian Minister in Moscow has been recalled and will leave the Russian capital within the next few days.

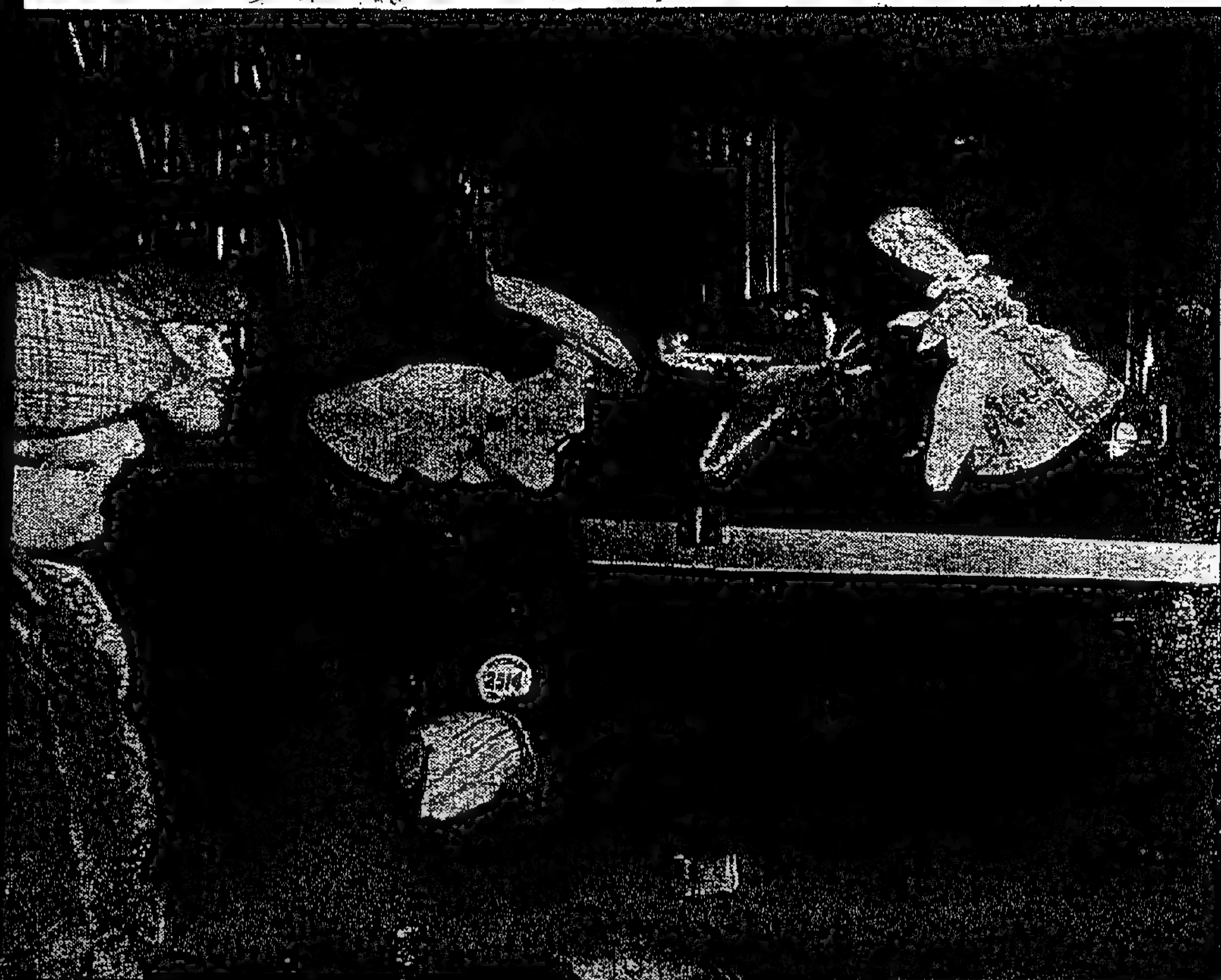
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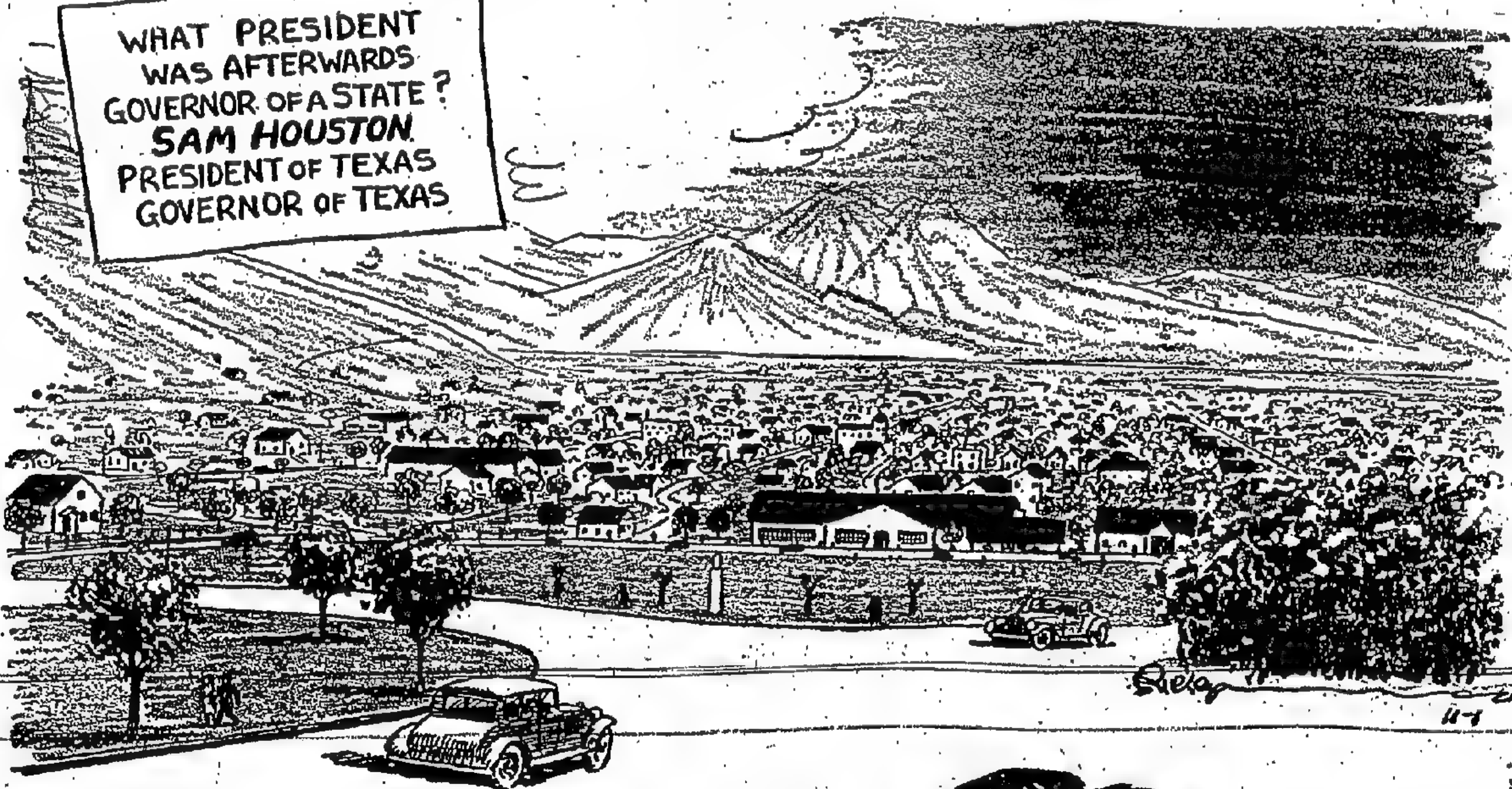


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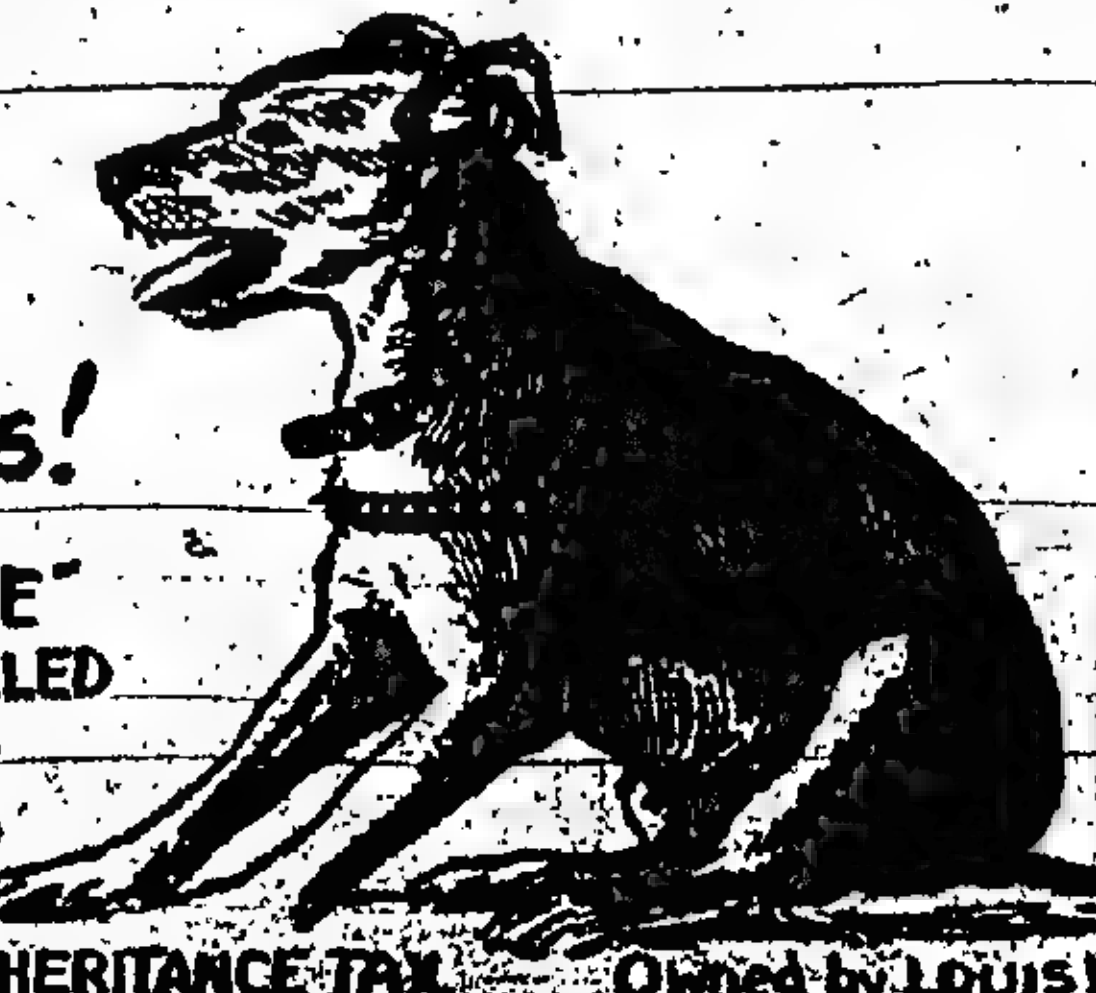
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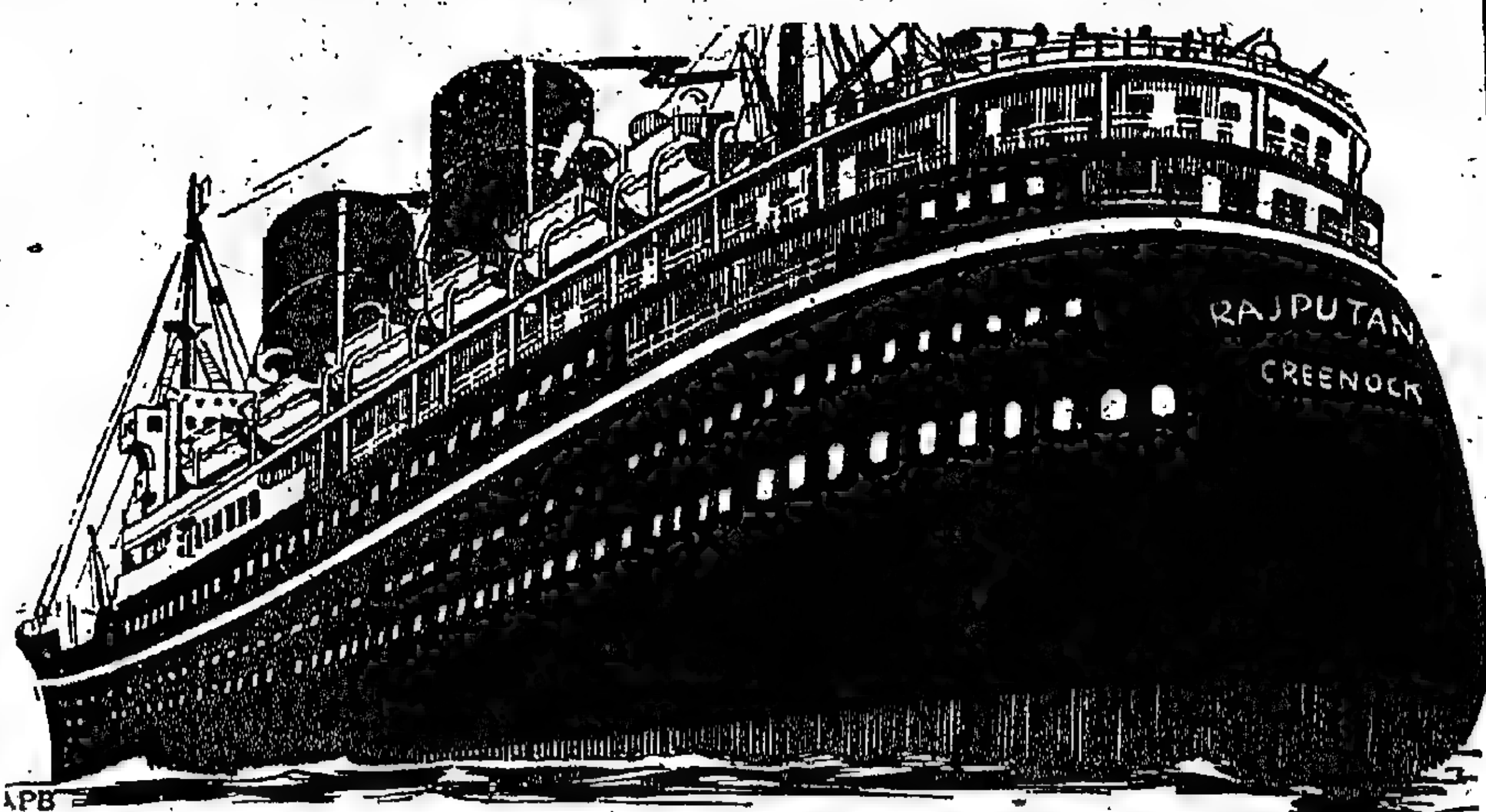
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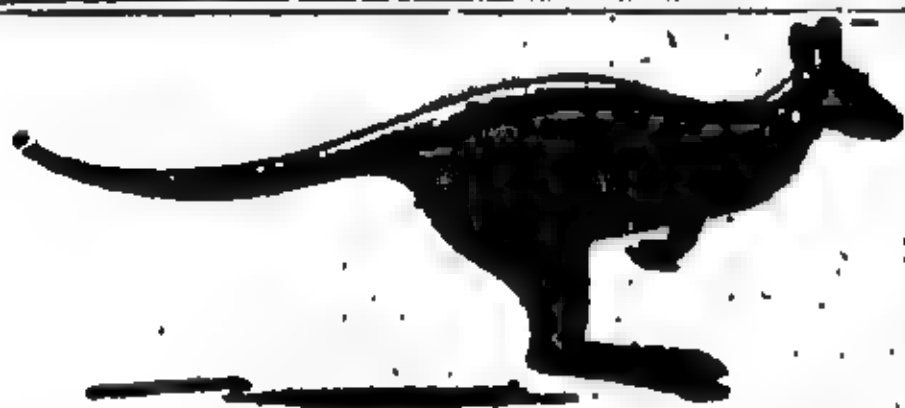
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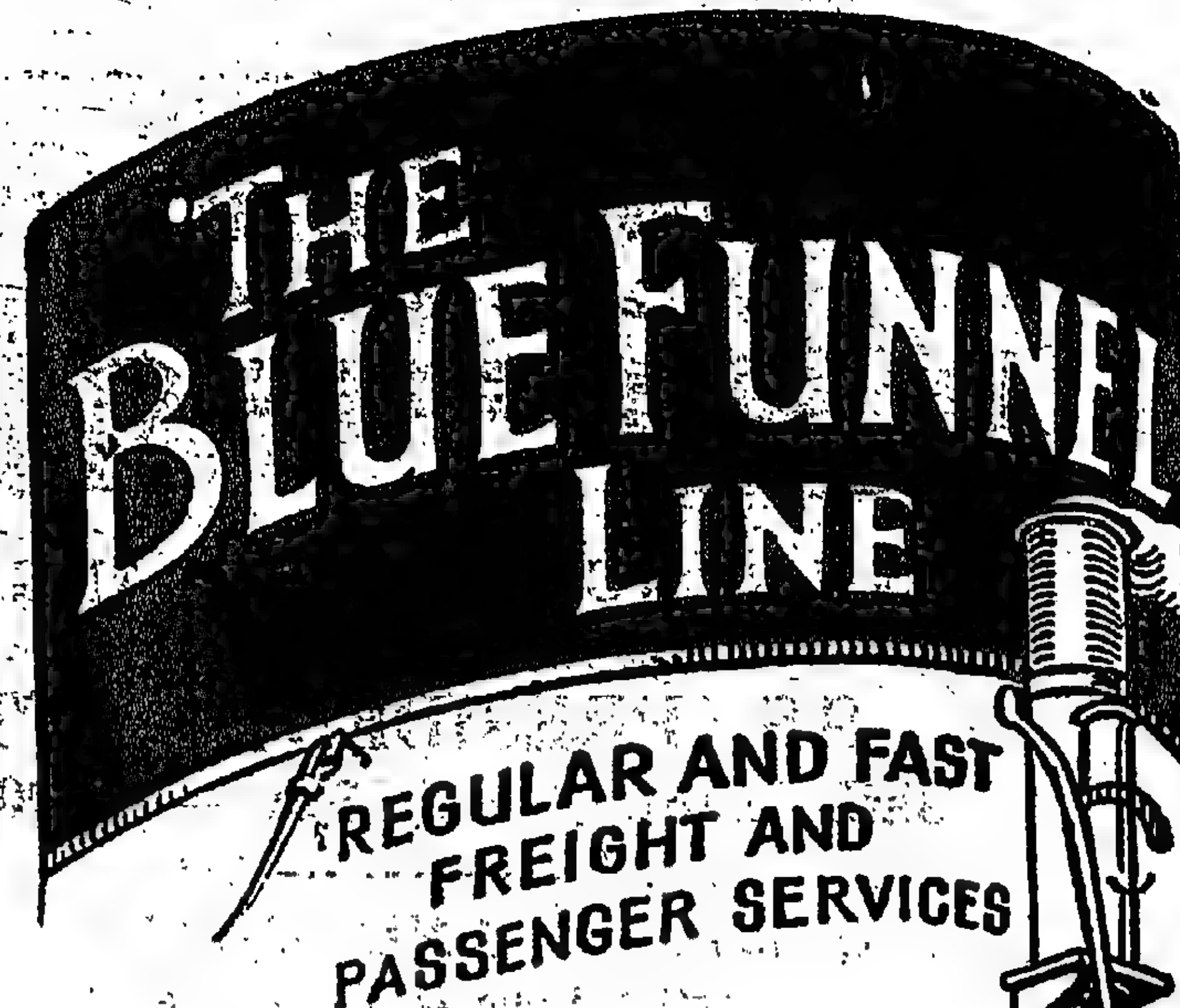
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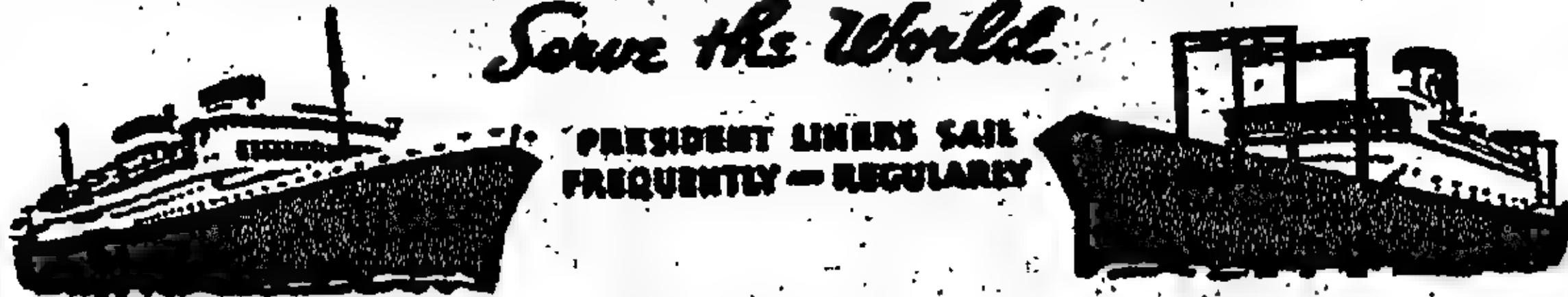
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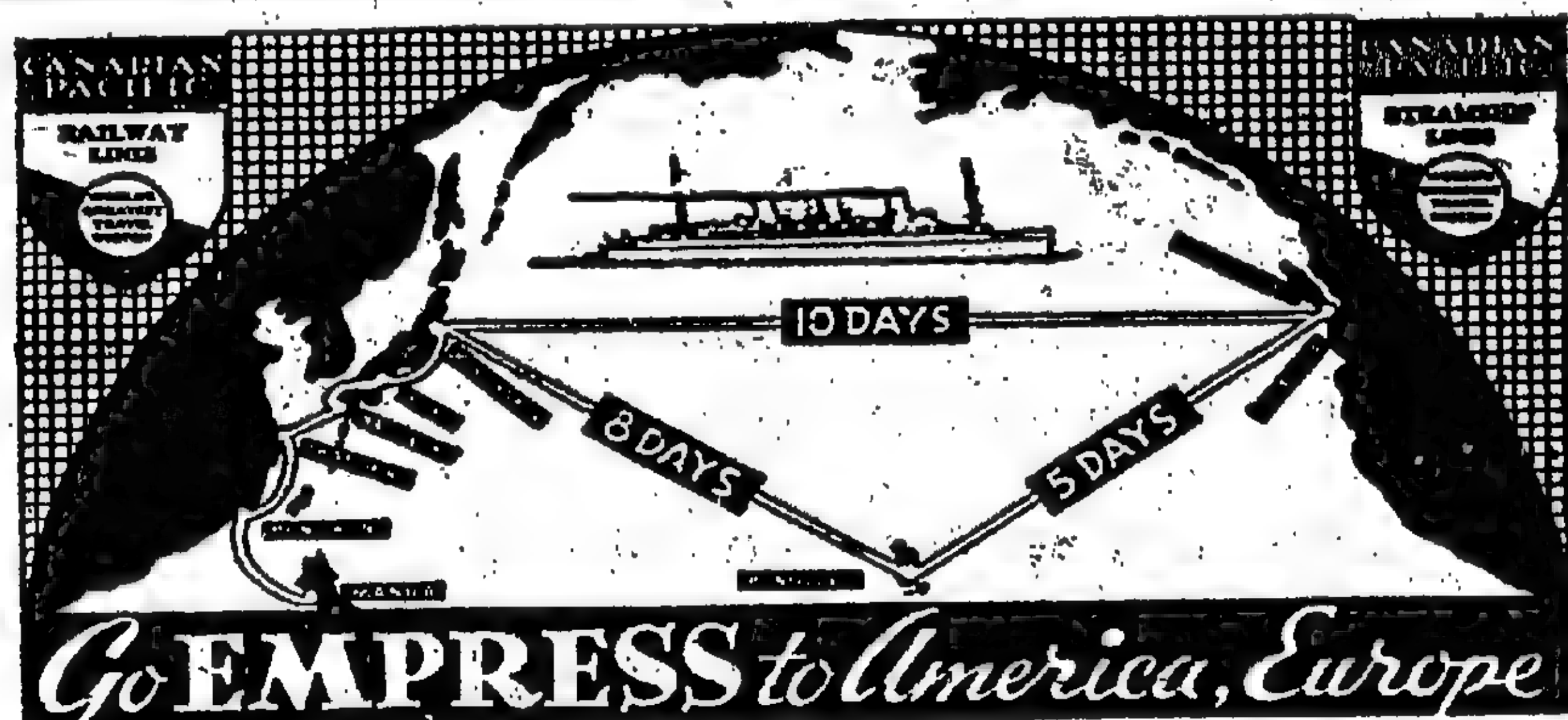
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 5th. FEBRUARY to THURSDAY, 17th. FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 2nd. February, 1938.

HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW of FLOWERS and VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on THURSDAY, the 3rd. March, 1938, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and FRIDAY, the 4th. March, 1938, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's Office, Stock Exchange Building, Ice House Street, at NOON on THURSDAY, the 24th. February, 1938, but intending exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to join the Society are requested to send \$5.00 to the UNDERSIGNED.

J. T. BAGRAM,

Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 3rd. February, 1938.

RESTRICTION ON FOREIGN LENDING RELAXED

London, To-day.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the House of Commons last night that in view of the present conditions of exchanges, he had come to certain decisions on the subject of foreign lending.

The decisions illustrated the desire of His Majesty's Government to encourage a suitable expansion of international capital transactions. He did not consider the time had come when consent could be given indiscriminately to foreign issues and, in particular, to those on behalf of foreign governments, foreign local or public authorities, or State controlled organisations.

Greater latitude would, however, be allowed until further notice in respect of applications which did not fall within the former class.

NEW ISSUES

"I refer particularly, first, to the raising of new money in the British market on a long term basis on behalf of British borrowers — in which term I include borrowers in any part of the Empire — for the purpose of acquiring assets or developing enterprise in foreign countries and, secondly, to transactions involving large blocks of foreign-owned securities which were the subject of my predecessor's letter of June 12, 1933, to the Chairman of the Stock Exchange Committee. — British Wireless.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 20-3/16 and forward at 19%.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$5.0115 and the New York on London rate £—U.S.\$5.01.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber.

February/March 23½ down ¾ b.

April/June 23½ down ½ b.

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R. W. ROBERTS,

Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st January, 1935.

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 FOR THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
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 Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

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Interest allowed for Current Accounts.

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Y. KANO,

Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th September, 1937.

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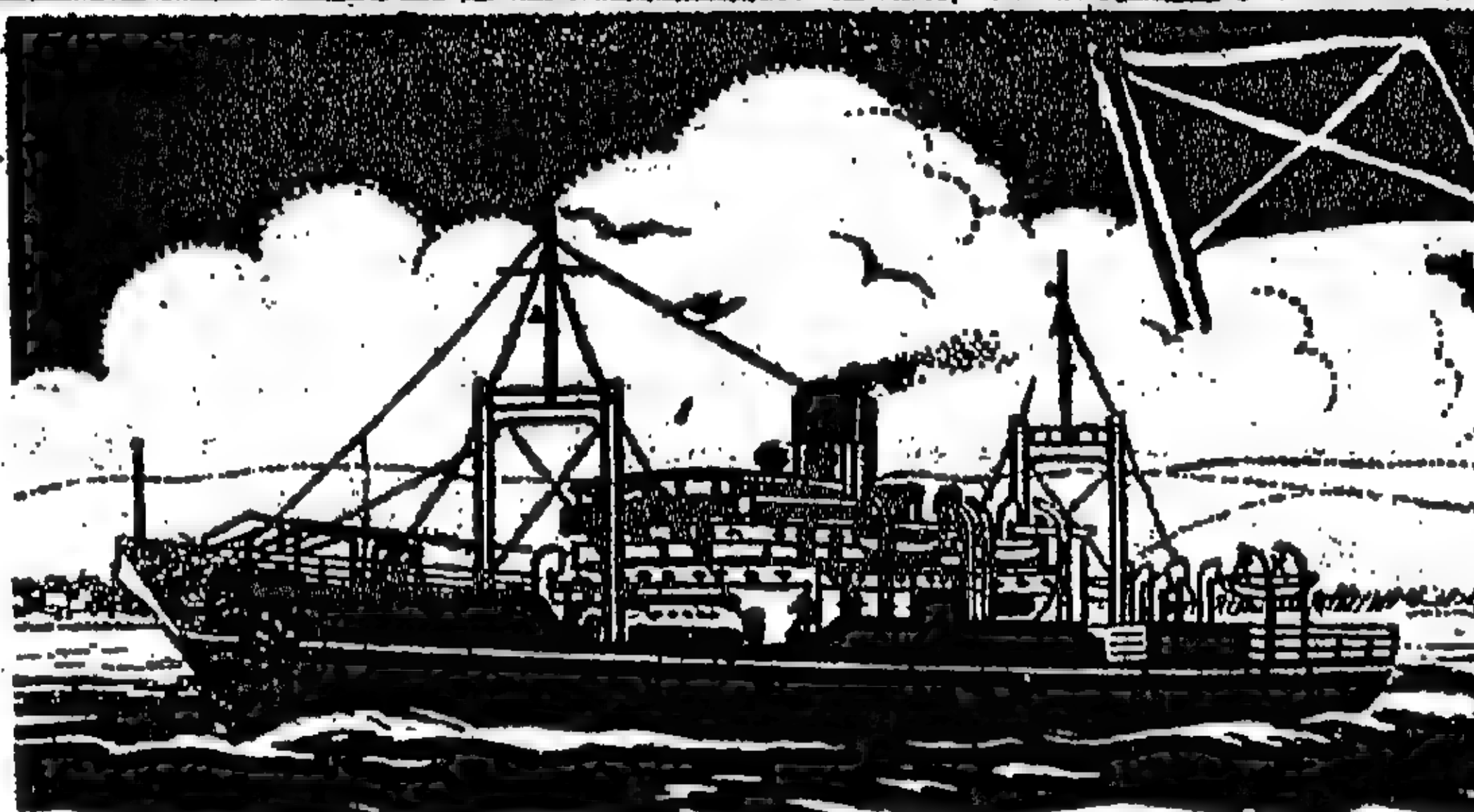
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STEADY BOWLING BY ROBBIE LEE

(By "ADREM")

APPENDED ARE THE FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE CRICKET BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES TO DATE.

G. F. O'Bryen, in his first season in local cricket, heads the batting averages with 52.67, although K. Nazarin of the I.R.C., has the biggest aggregate.

M. F. L. Haymes, of the H.K.C.C., has the best bowling average but has only bowled seven overs. Most consistent figures are returned by R. E. Lee of the K.C.C., who averages 9.70 for 17 wickets in 55.2 overs

FIRST DIVISION — BATTING

(Qualification — two innings, average of 15 or over).

	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Aver.
G. F. O'Bryen (K.C.C.)	4	1	68*	158	52.67
F. Marshall (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	75*	103	51.50
Capt. Whitmarsh (Navy)	3	1	53	98	49.00
K. Nazarin (I.R.C.)	4	0	80	187	46.75
F. H. Stokes (H.K.C.C.)	3	2	32*	43	43.00
A. R. H. Esmail (C.C.C.)	4	1	74*	126	42.00
G. Souza (C.C.C.)	3	1	47*	82	41.00
D. J. N. Anderson (K.C.C.)	3	0	68	117	39.00
R. D. Allen (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	77*	78	39.00
Maj. Rawstorne (Army)	2	0	58	75	37.50
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	3	1	36	58	29.00
Sub-Lt. Ogle (Navy)	2	0	55	57	28.50
S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.)	4	0	73	110	27.50
T. A. Pearce (H.K.C.C.)	4	0	53	109	27.25
A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	4	0	41	107	26.75
N. D. Lloyd (K.C.C.)	4	1	42*	79	26.33
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	2	0	51	51	25.50
Lt. Weedon (Army)	2	0	32	47	23.50
A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio)	4	0	41	93	23.25
A. K. Ismail (C.C.C.)	3	1	37	44	22.00
Lt. Chiverall (Army)	2	0	40	44	22.00
W. A. Reed (Recreio)	4	0	31	85	21.25
A. E. Perry (C.S.C.C.)	3	0	41	62	20.67
P. M. N. da Silva (Recreio)	4	0	46	80	20.00
R. H. Griffiths (C.S.C.C.)	3	0	27	60	20.00
J. E. Richardson (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	33	73	18.25
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.)	4	0	34	75	18.75
F. K. Lee (C.C.C.)	4	0	60	71	17.75
W. H. Colledge (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	39	70	17.50
E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)	3	0	52	53	17.33
F. R. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	4	0	52	63	15.75
A. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	2	0	29	31	15.50
A. T. Lay	2	0	19	31	15.50

FIRST DIVISION — BOWLING

(Qualification — two matches, average of 20 or under).

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
M. F. L. Haymes (H.K.C.C.)	7.1	2	19	3	6.33
A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	6.5	1	35	5	7.00
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	35	11	80	10	8.00
J. L. C. Pearce (H.K.C.C.)	21.5	1	78	9	8.67
A. T. Lee (C.C.C.)	42.5	14	91	10	9.10
G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.)	13	3	46	5	9.20
E. M. L. Soares (C. de R.)	13	4	38	4	9.50
R. E. Lee (K.C.C.)	55.2	16	165	17	9.70
M. el Arculli (I.R.C.)	20	8	40	4	10.00
A. M. Prata (C. de R.)	15	2	44	4	11.00
F. Baker (C.S.C.C.)	50	7	169	15	11.27
G. Souza (C.C.C.)	36	11	113	10	11.30
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.)	27	2	139	12	11.58
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	22.2	6	83	7	11.86
A. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	3	0	25	2	12.50
N. D. Lloyd (K.C.C.)	44	7	141	11	12.82
L/Cpl. Cheney (Army)	36	6	185	13	14.23

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R. D. Allen (H.K.C.C.)	31	6	75	5	15.00
P. J. Billimoria (C.C.C.)	40	10	108	7	15.43
E. L. Gosano (C. de R.)	28	8	79	5	15.80
Sgt. Hatfield (Army)	32	6	98	6	16.34
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	52	15	163	9	18.11

K.G.C. CAPTAIN'S CUP RESULTS

T. Henderson Wins
January Medal Pool

The following were the results in the First Round of the Kowloon Golf Club Captain's Cup competition:

T. Henderson beat G. C. Moss 2 up;
R. M. Wheatcroft beat F. C. Barry at the 20th;
W. A. Stewart beat H. F. Westlake 3 and 2;
B. Basto beat E. C. Fincher 1 up;
A. A. Lopes beat T. D. Paton 2 and 1;
J. F. Smedley beat J. D. Thomson 2 up;
W. Kershaw beat E. Christensen 5 and 4;

C. G. Anderson received a walk over from E. F. Fincher.
The January Medal Pool was won by T. Henderson with a score of 81—17=64.

Two competitions were run over the China New Year Holidays, a Stableford and an Electric over 18 holes.

F. C. Barry won both with 35½ points in the former, and a score of 60½ in the latter.

T. Henderson was runner-up in the Stableford with a score of 81½ points, and R. M. Wheatcroft was the runner-up in the Electric with a score of 61¼.

CRAIGENGOWER BEATEN BY MIDDLESEX REGT.

Coombes Prominent

In a whole-day game at Sookunpoo yesterday, Middlesex Regiment beat Craigengower Cricket Club by 26 runs.

Middlesex Regiment—172 (C. S. M. Northcott 22, Lt. Weedon 34, Maj. Newnham 41, Sgt. Cooper 15, Pts. Coombes 49 not out; G. Winch 5 for 49).

Craigengower C. C.—146 (D. Hung 14, A. R. H. Esmail 27, E. Zimmern 30, G. Souza 25, W. Rapley 18; Pte. Coombes 7 for 69).

HOCKEY ASSN. MEETING FOR TO-MORROW

The usual monthly meeting of the Hong Kong Hockey Association will be held at St. Andrews Church Hall, to-morrow at 6 p.m.

E. OF JAPAN LOSE SOFTBALL TILT TO COLONY COMBINATION

Bill Woo Clouts
'Em Hard

(By "SHORTSTOP")

The much-touted softball exhibition game that was played yesterday afternoon, on the C.B.A. ground between the Empress of Japan and the Hong Kong All-Stars was a lackadaisical affray.

Most of the first string local boys were absentees, but those who were on hand managed to defeat the Empress of Japan's boys by 9 runs to 6.

Bill Muir again took the lime-light in miffing easy flies out in leftfield, and was taken out in the sixth inning and replaced by George Fowler. "Doc" Molthen replaced Porter, at second, in the same inning.

The hardest hits of the season were seen yesterday when Bill Woo connected with two clouts over the leftfield fence for homeruns. The ball was never more than seven feet off the ground and just went over the leftfielder's head.

COTTAGE CLUB TO HOLD GYMKHANA

Events For Next
Saturday

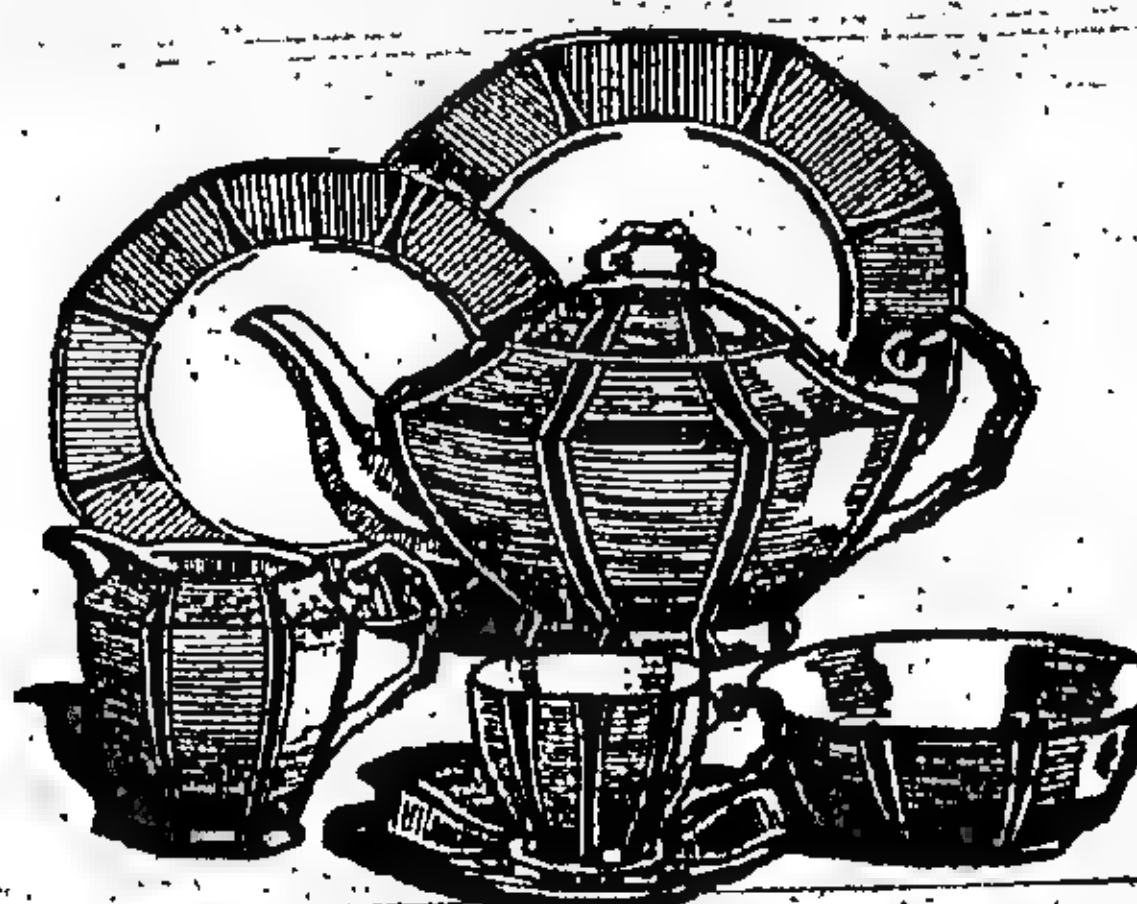
A Gymkhana will be held by the Cottage Club, Fanling, at 2.30 p.m. next Saturday, February 5. The following are the events:

Marketing race (for ladies); mixed bending race; pig sticking (gentlemen); balloon bursting (gentlemen); swords and rings (mixed); whistling race (mixed); only ladies receive prizes; and musical chairs (mixed).

Judges.—Mr. H. K. Lee and Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield; assistant, Mr. G. P. Murphy.

In the pig sticking and balloon bursting events, it is not necessary to follow the quarry. When the quarry takes a jump, the pursuit, however, must follow over the jump.

Ponies can be hired, and entries may be made for the events immediately before each event. Heats will be run off where necessary. Entrance fee 50 cents; hire of ponies (each event) 50 cents.



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POLICE HOLD S. CHINA "A" IN FAST ENCOUNTER

WONG MEI SHUN IN LIMELIGHT

THRILLING END TO MATCH

Two goals in arrears in the first half, the South China "A" rallied in the second half and managed to share four goals and the points with the Police, in their First Division League football encounter at Caroline Hill yesterday, and in the closing minutes all but snatched both points when Tang Kwong-sum broke through the defence to see his well-placed shot saved by Manning.

Wong Mei-shun turned out for the Chinese in place of Lai Shui-wing, and gave an excellent display at inside-left. He had hard luck with several attempts and his robust, but clean tackles kept the Police defenders on the alert all the time.

Wall lead the Police attack, in place of Johnson, who has gone home, and was prominent throughout the game. An injury in the first half of the game slowed down his play.

POLICE LEAD

The Police played one of their best games this season and took the lead in the first half through Howlett, who converted a pass from T. Pile, and soon after Moss culminated a run down the left wing to beat Choo with a grounder.

After this the Chinese were continually on the attack, but good work by Bone, at right-back, and Gough, in the pivotal position, kept the Chinese from scoring.

Cheong Moon-wing, however, reduced the lead when Manning misjudged a centre, and the ball entered the net.

Four minutes from time, Cheuk Shek-kam, equalised from close range and from then onwards the Police goal underwent a hectic time and just managed to hold out till the final whistle.

SAPPERS FAIL TO MAKE AN APPEARANCE

The non-appearance of the Royal Engineers caused the Second Division fixture with the 5th A. A. Bde. to be cancelled.

TWO TENNIS FINALS IN K.C.C. ANNUAL WINTER TOURNEY

Two finals in the Kowloon Cricket Club's annual winter tennis tournament were held yesterday. In the final of the Mixed Doubles Handicap G. A. White and Mrs. G. C. Burnett (-15.3/6) beat J. S. Smith and Mrs. Sweeny (-15) 6-4, 6-4.

In the Ladies' Doubles Handicap Final, Mrs. Crabb and Mrs. Smeby (scr.) beat Mrs. G. C. Burnett and Miss Nash (-15.3/6) by 6-0, 6-2.



OLDHAM'S HOME VICTORY OVER DONCASTER

London, To-day.

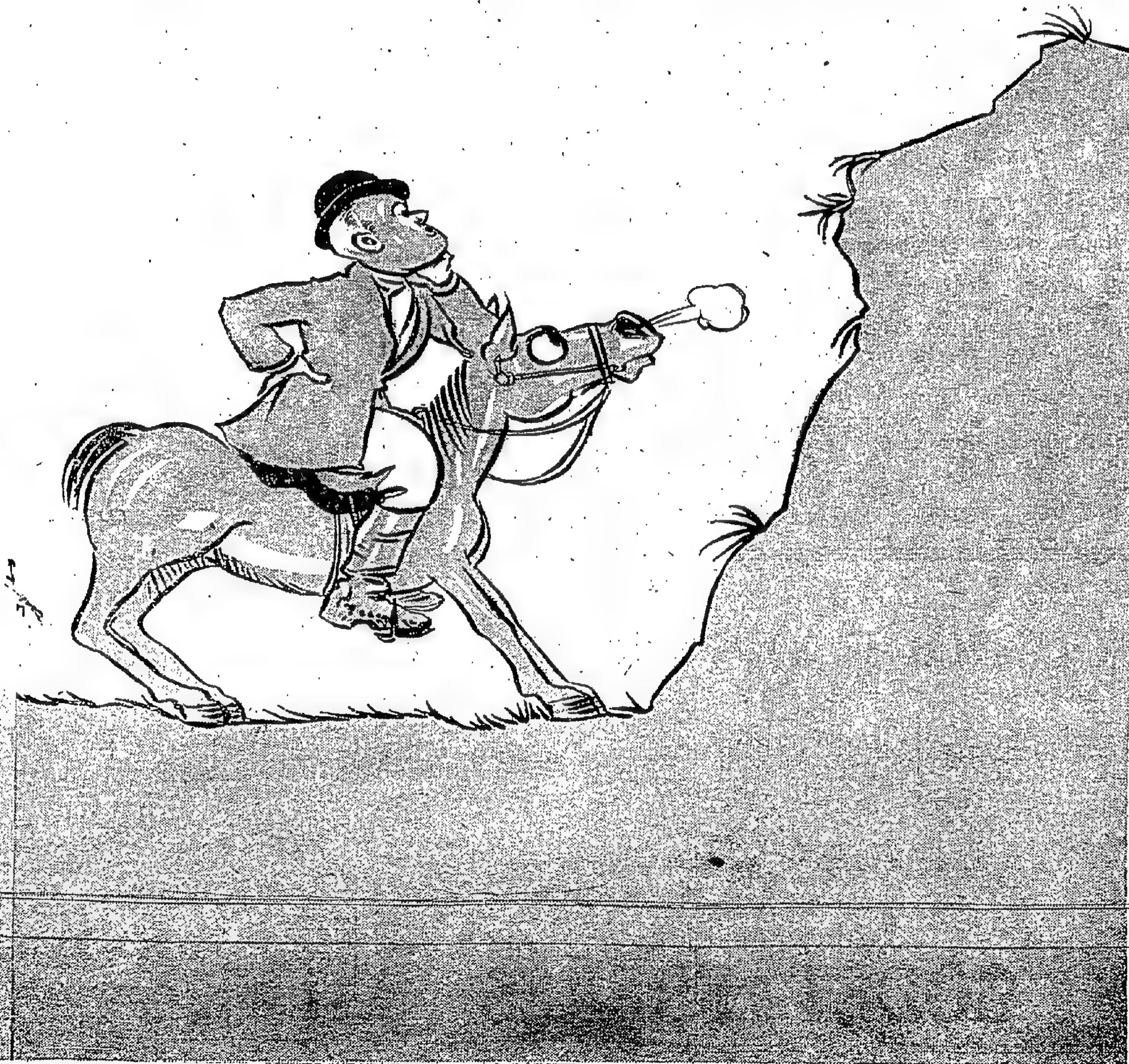
In a Third Division (North) League football match, Oldham beat Doncaster at home by the odd goal in three.—Reuter.

BARSBY SECURES "HAT-TRICK" FOR ACK-ACK BRIGADE

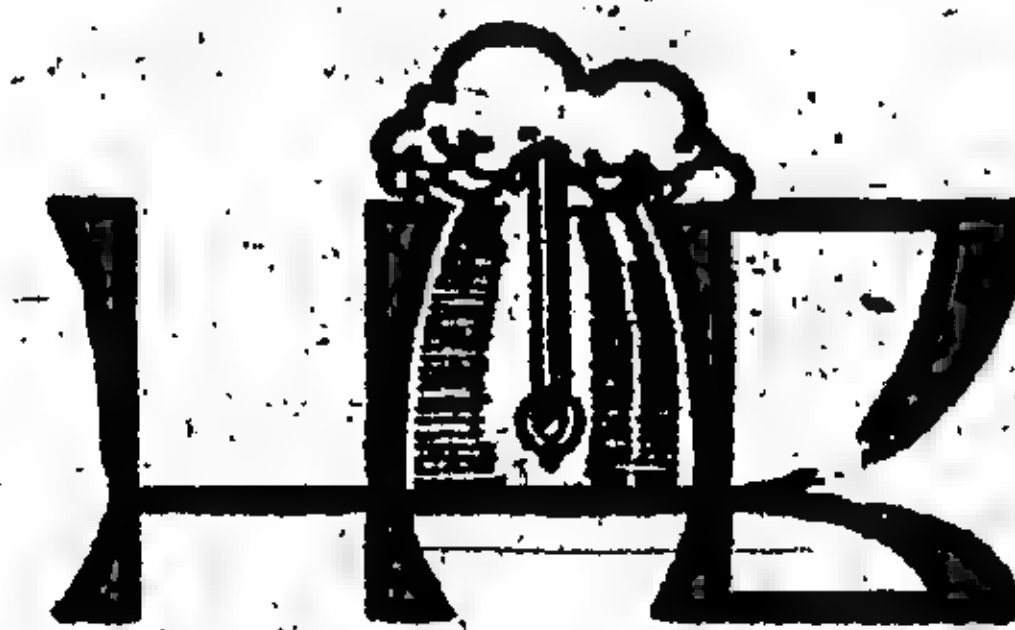
In the Third Division of the Hong Kong Football League the 5th A. A. Bde, R.A., defeated the Royal Engineers by 5 goals to 2 at Sookun-poo yesterday. Barsby scored a "hat trick" for the Gunners, while Carley and Lawton secured their other goals, Parker replying for the Sappers.

J. F. Bain won the Ealing Harriers' Boxing Day road race at Hanwell. His 3½ miles in 18min. 53sec. equalled the record for the distance.

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INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL SERIES

TWO SURPRISE VICTORIES RECORDED BY HONG KONG AND INDIA

CHINA "A" AND UNITED STATES HAVE TRACK MEETS

(By "SHORTSTOP")

THERE were two surprises in the games during the last week-end in which Hong Kong defeated the Philippines, and India beat China "B". The scores of the four games played were:

Hong Kong (3), Philippine Islands (2); Britain (4), China "A" (18); China "B" (1), India (4); Portugal (0), U.S.A. (10).

The Americans took the Portuguese to camp in a run-away game, with no opposition from the pitching staff, blanking the latter team and allowing only two bingles. Safe fielding was the main feature of the day, and McCall and Rechsteiner were the brilliant stars of the game.

Mark, southpaw pitcher who started on the mound for China "B," was replaced by Low in the second inning but India held the lead from the first frame. The one and only Abe Liu was seen in this game, but he had no support from his boys.

NOSED OUT

In a hard-fought tussle on Sunday, Hong Kong eliminated the Philippines from the International Series by nosing them out in a 3-2 victory. Cruz got on first in the second inning on a fumble by Hong Sling. Dollano clouted a two-bag ply while Porter brought in the first man with a neat little bingle. Another pop fly by Gosulco brought in the only other run for the Filipinos. They never scored again!

The Hong Kongites batted around in their next time up and

Hong Sling, Hung and Rapley crossed the plate before the side was put out. They then held the Filipinos in the surprise defeat of the day. Ernie Zimmern directed his boys in a thorough workman-like manner and considering the fact that several of them had never before played the game, the victory is so much more to their credit. They will meet U.S.A. in the semi-finals.

TRACK MEET

In a one-sided affray on Sunday, China "A" trounced Britain by an overwhelming score, and it was more in the nature of a track meet. They started scoring from the first canto and there was never a shadow of doubt that they would have the game in the bag.

The British fielded three men from the Empress of Japan, but their assistance wasn't of much

use with the amount of errors that were made by the team. Bill Muir gets the silver platter for making the most errors, allowing many easy liners between his legs, and fumbling excessively.

Chow Young, the Wizard of the Whiff, was content with just grooving them over the plate and this piece of strategy worked well, as can be attested by a glance at the detailed box scores.

DETAILED BOX SCORES:

Philippine Islands										
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Gosulco 1f	5	0	4	4	0	1				
Paulino ss, 3b	5	0	0	3	3	0				
Loyola p	5	0	0	0	2	0				
Manalac 1b	4	0	1	8	0	1				
Mercado rf	4	0	0	2	0	0				
Cruz c	4	1	0	1	0	0				
Dollano cf	4	1	1	2	0	0				
Porter 3b, ss	4	0	1	1	1	1				
Eusebio 2b	4	0	2	3	1	1				
	39	2	9	24	7	4				

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hits:	0	3	1	2	0	1	0	2	9

Hong Kong

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Rapley 1f	5	1	2	4	1	2
Lee ss	4	0	1	1	2	1
A. Zimmern 3b	4	0	1	1	3	0
Anderson cf	4	0	1	3	0	1
Francis Zimmern p	4	0	2	2	4	0
Fred Zimmern 2b	4	0	1	3	1	0
E. Zimmern c	4	0	0	4	0	0
Hong Sling 1b	4	1	1	9	0	1
Hung rf	3	1	2	0	0	0
	36	3	11	27	11	5

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Hits:	2	0	4	1	1	2	1	0	11

Two baggers=Dollano, Anderson. Francis Zimmern. Struck out by Loyola=1; by Zimmern=3. Base on balls off Loyola=1; off Zimmern=0. Umpires: Hearther, Liu and Lau. Scorer: W. A. Smith.

China "A"

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Ching cf	7	4	2	4	0	0
Chinn 1f, 2b	6	2	2	2	0	1
Young p, 1f	7	1	2	4	4	0
Wong 3b	7	2	3	4	2	4
Woo 1b	6	1	2	7	0	0
S. Wong rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
T. Chan rf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Quon p	2	1	1	2	2	0
Lau 2b	4	0	1	1	0	0
Jan ss	6	3	1	1	2	1
Lum c	4	3	1	2	0	0
	56	18	17	27	10	6

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	2	5	0	2	1	2	1	5	18
Hits:	2	2	1	1	1	2	3	1	17

Britain										
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Muir 3b, 2b, ss	4	0	1	0	1	7				
MacNider c, 3b	4	0	0	5	0	0				
Penny 1b	4	0	1	6	0	2				
G. Fowler 1f	4	2	1	4	0	1				
Coffin ss, 2b	3	1	1	4	3	2				
Gaubert 3b, 2b, rf	4	0	1	1	0	1				
Gurevitch cf	4	0	1	4	0	1				
Olive p	3	0	0	2	2	2				
S. Fowler 3b, c	3	1	0	1	0	2				
	33	4	6	27	6	18				

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	4
Hits:	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	6

Two baggers: Ching, Chinn, E. Wong and Woo.

Three baggers: Woo. Home run: Ching.

Struck out by Olive: 1; by Young: 1. Base on balls off Olive: 3; off Quon: 1; off Young: None.

Double play in the seventh: fly by Quon and assist to E. Wong. Umpires: Hearther, Morreal and Porter.

Scorer: W. A. Smith.

India										
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Abbas 3b	4	0	2	1	1	1				
Kitchell ss	5	1	1	5	3	0				
K. Rumjahn cf	4	1	1	3	0	1				
O. Arculli c	5	0	1	1	0	0				
Nazarin p	4	0	0	0	1	0				
M. Arculli 1b	4	0	1	8	0	1				
Ali 1f	4	0	0	3	1	0				
A. Rumjahn 2b	2	2	1	4	2	1				
Razack rf	4	0	1	2	0	0				
	36	4	8	27	8	4				

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Hits:	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	8

China "B"

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Young ss	3	0	0	1	5	0
Kwan cf	3	0	0	2	0	1
Liu 2b, 1b	4	0	1	3	1	0
Low 3b, p	4	0	1	1	1	1
Chung 1b, 3b	4	1	1	5	0	0
Mar 1f	3	0	1	4	0	0
Lau c	4	0	0	3	0	0
Mark p, 2b, 1b	4	0	1	5	0	2
Ma rf	4	0	0	3	0	1
	33	1	5	27	7	5

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hits:	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	5

Struck out by Low: 1; by Nazarin: 0. Base on balls off Nazarin: 2; off Mark: 3; off Low: 1.

Double play in fourth: fly by A. Rumjahn and assist to M. Arculli.

Umpires: Morreal, Beltrao and Muir.

Scorer: W. A. Smith.

Portugal

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
B. Gosano 3b	4	0	0	2	4	1
Barros 1b	4	0	0	9	0	1
Mendonca c	4	0	0	2	0	0
Beltrao 2b	3	0	0	5	3	0
A. V. Gosano 1f, ss	4	0	0	1	3	1
Remedios p	3	0	1	3	1	0
Pereira ss, cf	3	0	1	3	1	3
Figueiredo cf, 1f	3	0	0	0	1	1
Noronha rf	3	0	0	2	1	1
	31	0	2	27	14	8

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hits:	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2

U. S. A.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Slattery c	5	1	1	1	0	0
Gilloegly cf	6	0	2	1	0	1
Rechsteiner ss	6	1	1	3	4	1
McCall 3b	4	1	2	2	6	0
Madigan 1f	5	0	0	4	0	0
North 1b	5	1	1	11	0	0
Joyce 2b	5	3	3	4	0	0
Morreal p	5	2	2	1	2	0
Smith rf	5	1	2	0	0	0
	46	10	14	27	12	2

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Runs:	0	1	0	3	3	1	0	2	10
Hits:	1	2	1	3	3	1	1	1	14

Home runs: Rechsteiner. No strike outs. Base on balls off Remedios: 2; off Morreal: 1.

Umpires: Hearther, Woo and Lum. Scorer: A. Mann.

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N.S.C. AND BOARD RELATIONS

(By "HAROLD LEWIS")

London, December 28.

THE National Sporting Club have completed arrangements for a fight between Jock McAvoy, British middle and light-heavyweight champion, and Frank Hough of Battersea at Earl's Court on January 20, and have made formal application to the British Boxing Board of Control to stage it for the British light-heavyweight championship.

It is practically certain that the Board will decline to sanction it as a championship fight and will give instructions that if it takes place the fight must not be under championship conditions.

Hough achieved much popularity by knocking out Tommy Martin of Deptford and putting up a plucky display recently against Heinz Lazek of Austria, both these fights having taken place under N.S.C. promotion.

The Board is, at present, organising a Southern Area light-heavyweight championship competition, presumably with the object of ultimately finding a challenger, but it was announced a few days ago that Hough had been withdrawn because he had not complied with certain conditions. The fact was that he had not lodged a deposit with the Board.

HYAMS v. HARDY

Having eliminated Hough, the Board have nominated Jack Hyams (London) and Bill Hardy (Leicester) to compete for this Southern Area title, and it happens that both these men have beaten Hough. As Hough may not fight for this local championship, therefore, it is certain the Board will not permit him to compete for the national championship.

The situation is not likely to improve present relations between the N.S.C. and the Board, which were adversely affected by the recent decision that the Club would no longer be entitled to send a representative unless he stood for election in competition with others.

HOSPITALITY RISING

A few days ago I pointed out that hostility towards the Board was rising in certain quarters—namely, from the National Boxing Association and leading promoters—and that possible estrangement of the N.S.C. was not likely to help the Board.

The Club has now received from the National Boxing Association a letter seeking close co-operation, and the letter will duly be considered by the committee of the N.S.C. The Club has retained, from the Club of old, the utmost sympathy with boxers and an earnest desire to assist them in improving their conditions, and as this is the chief reason for the existence of the N.B.A., it may well be that that co-operation will come to pass.

The movement to form a promoters' association is also making some progress, I am informed by one who is closely interested.

R. B. Hughes (Worthing) retained the Searle Trophy when, with a handicap allowance of 36min. 30sec., he won the annual Boxing Day walk, over 17 miles at Worthing. He covered the distance in 2h. 50min. 57sec.

SOUTH CHINA "B" BEAT MACAO BY SOLITARY GOAL

Evenly Contested Game

The Macao Artillery did very well against South China "B," leaders of the First Division of the Hong Kong Football League, when they lost by the only goal in a friendly game at Caroline Hill yesterday.

The visitors were good in their approach work, but their shooting was poor and numerous opportunities were wasted by poor shooting or hesitancy in front of goal.

F. Sequeira, on the right wing, was fast and kept Lau Mau on the run throughout the game, while Fernandes, in goal, gave a sound display and stopped many hard drives.

Though the Chinese were more dangerous near goal, their habit of dribbling instead of shooting spoiled their chances of scoring. In this respect Lee Shek-yau was the greatest offender and Lee Pui-leong was often caught offside.

After an evenly contested first half, Lee Shek-yau, netted with a hard drive just before the interval. In the second half the visitors had as much of the game, but could not equalise.

C. M. JONES BEATEN IN PARIS

Paris, December 29.—All British competitors in the singles of the Paris Christmas Tournament were eliminated in to-day's play here. C. M. Jones, who won his first-round match with M. Siguer, was beaten in the second round by P. Pelizza, 7-5, 6-0. Miss Joan Saunders, who, with the defeat of Miss Valerie Scott in the first round of the women's singles yesterday became the only English woman competitor, was beaten in her first-round contest by Mlle. Mellerio, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY WANT McMULLAN Offer Of Managership

London, December 28.—Mr. W. G. Turner, chairman of Sheffield Wednesday, announced last night that the board have offered James McMullan, manager of Notts County, the position of manager on terms which he has accepted, subject to the consent of the Notts County board to release him.

After leaving Manchester City in 1933 McMullan retired as a player and was appointed manager of Oldham Athletic, with whom he stayed one season. He was then appointed manager of Aston Villa at the beginning of 1934-5.

He resigned in October, 1935, and in November, 1936, succeeded Mr. Bertie Smith as manager of Notts County. He played for Scotland on 16 occasions.

COMBINED SCHOOLS' FINE VICTORY OVER RECREIO

Hosegood's Fine Bowling

At King's Park yesterday afternoon, the Combined Schools, captained by Mr. J. L. Youngsaye, of the Diocesan School, beat Club de Recreio by 88 runs.

Combined Schools—137 for 7 dec. (A. J. Prata 10, K. M. Rumjahn 39, J. Gosano 33; E. M. L. Soares 4 for 34).

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Albert Sandler's Orch.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
Kunz Revivals No. 3.
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To-day's Wireless

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Talking by Wm. McCulloch.
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Sung by Hildegard with Orchestra.
I'll Bet You Tell That To All The Boys (Tobias—Steph).
Nothing's Blue But The Sky (Newman—Spink).
Len Berman with Orchestra.
Hot Pie—Quick Step.
Scott Wood and His Six Swingers.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
7.00 p.m.—Latest Dance Records.
7.15 p.m.—London—Take Your Choice.
A Weekly Entertainment Feature.
Presented by Wm. MacLurg.
7.45 p.m.—London—A Theme And A Song.
Songs about Household Objects. The Boy, the Girl, and the Trio with Josef Marais and His Band. The programme presented by William MacLurg.
7.55 p.m.—Amoresque—Fox Trot (Phillips)—Jack Harris and His Orch.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Ruth Litvin.
1. Bach—French Suite No. 5 in G. Major.
2. Beethoven—Andante Favori in F. Major.
3. Scarlatti—Sonatas Nos. 12 to 18

in F. Major.
8.23 p.m.—Bach Suite No. 3 in D Major — The Adolf Bursch Chamber Players.
8.44 p.m.—Ria Ginster — Schumann Songs.
Meine Rose.
Schöne Fremde; In Der Fremde; Geisterhaube.
Piano accompanied by Gerry Moore.
8.53 p.m.—Schumann—Etudes Symphoniques—Alfred Cortot.
9.17 p.m.—Orchestral.
Nights At the Ballet No. 1.
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9.30 p.m.—London—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Half an hour of popular Musical Comedy.
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Garda Hall and George Baker.
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The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.
I'll See You Again ("Bitter Sweet"—Coward).
Peggy Wood and George Metaxa.
Dear Little Cafe.
Peggy Wood and George Metaxa.
Selection—Ball At the Savoy.
Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.
10.20 p.m.—London—Piccadilly A feature programme on the history of Piccadilly by Jonquil Antony—Produced by M. H. Allen.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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9.10 a.m.—"The Old Folks at Home."
9.50 a.m.—Xylophone Recital.
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close Down.
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Frequencies—
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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. Organ Recital by Clifford Roberts.
11.15 a.m.—"Take your Choice."
11.45 a.m.—"A Theme and a Song."
11.55 a.m.—"Do we Understand English?"
12.10 p.m.—Schumann's Quartet in F. Op. 41, No. 2.
12.35 p.m.—More Songs from Here and There.
12.55 p.m.—Jack Wilson and his Versatile Five.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close Down.
TRANSMISSION 3
Frequencies—
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSE 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSI (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s
1.55 p.m.—Opening announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Violin Recital.
2.20 p.m.—"Piccadilly." A feature programme on the history of Piccadilly.
3.00 p.m.—Music Hall.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—The New Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra.
4.40 p.m.—"World Affairs." A talk by H. Wickham Steed.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Vital Hold-Up Play

Average players seem to feel that hold-up plays (i.e., deferring the winning of a trick) apply only to no trump contracts. The reason for this feeling is beyond me; it must be rooted deep in the subconscious. Certainly, there is no sound basis for the notion that hold-ups cannot be used just as effectively at suit contracts. The entire crux of a hand, whether at no trump or a suit, may be the refusal to part with an ace until the proper time. The fate of South's contract in the hand shown below depended on his play to the first trick.

NORTH
S.—A Q J 6 4
H.—8 6 4 3 2
D.—9 7
C.—3
WEST EAST
S.—K 10 8 S.—9 5
H.—A J H.—K Q 10 9 7 5
D.—K Q J 10 8 5 D.—6 2
C.—10 9 C.—A 7 5
SOUTH
S.—7 3 2
H.—None
D.—A 4 3
C.—K Q J 8 6 4 2

The bidding (neither side vulnerable):

West	North	East	South
1 diamond	1 spade	2 hearts	3 clubs
8 diamonds	Pass	4 hearts	5 clubs
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass

West's final double was none too good; with a spade bid over him virtually nullifying the value of his king, he could not be at all sure of defeating five clubs. As it happened, however, due to the ineptness of the declarer's play, the double turned out well, since it dissuaded East from the five heart bid he might well have made.

The diamond king was opened and South, apparently without thought, pounced on it with his ace. A high club lead was taken by East, who returned his remaining diamond. Since East had "high-low" on the diamond plays, West had no difficulty in reading him for a doubleton and

thus placing South with the remaining diamond. Therefore, instead of trying to cash the ace of hearts, West made the much safer play of cashing a diamond trick, then laid down the heart ace. Declarer ruffed, drew the outstanding trumps, and finessed spades successfully, returning to his hand by ruffing the second heart to repeat the spade finesse.

The defenders were quite content with the three tricks they had taken for the contract's defeat and, indeed, they should have been highly gratified. Declarer had tossed a beautiful opportunity out of the window by his failure to apply a simple safety measure. West's repeated diamond bid made it likely that he held six diamonds, in which case East would have only two. There was a distinct chance that the club ace was held, not by the doubler, but by East. If that were so, it was vital to leave East with no diamond communication card to the West hand. The hold-up of the diamond

ace for one round would have done the trick. Winning the diamond continuation, South should lead the club king. East would win, but having no diamond left, would, of course, return a heart. This declarer would ruff and, after drawing the outstanding trumps, would finesse against the spade king. Returning to his hand with a heart ruff, a second spade finesse would bring in the entire spade suit.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Both sides vulnerable, South dealt. Opponents made no bids. How should the following North-South hands be bid?

SOUTH	NORTH
S.—A J 7	S.—3 4 3
H.—A K	H.—Q J 10 7
D.—A Q 10 6 5	D.—K J 8 4
C.—3 6 4	C.—K 3

Answer: Bidding should be:

SOUTH	NORTH
1 diamond	1 heart
3 diamonds	4 diamonds
4 no trump	5 diamonds
Pass	

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AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 5th to FRIDAY, the 18th February, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th January, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th February, 1938, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 3rd February, 1938, to Thursday, the 10th February, 1938, both days inclusive.

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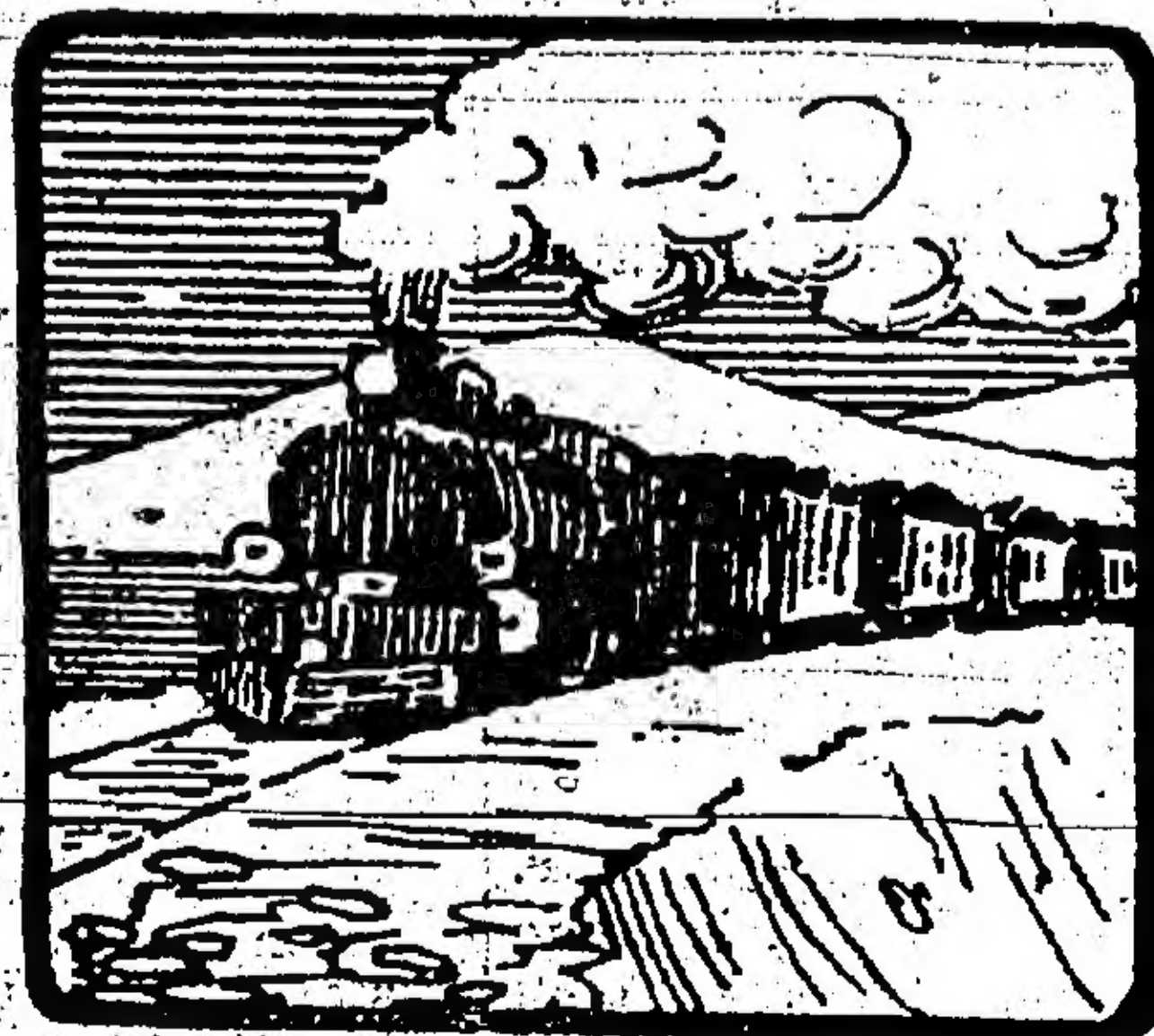
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ITALY'S GIFT OF WARSHIPS TO GEN. FRANCO

London, To-day.
A Note handed to the British Foreign Office by the Spanish Ambassador in London, accuses Italy of giving General Franco several destroyers and submarines.

Two destroyers, the Aquilia and Falco, the Note alleges, now sail under the names Velasco Ceuto and Valasco Melilla, while Italy has also given the insurgents the destroyers Aleffandro Poerio and Queliolmo Pepe and two submarines.—Reuter.

BATTLE CRUISERS AT LISBON

Lisbon, To-day.
The British battlecruisers Nelson and Rodney, accompanied by a destroyer flotilla, have arrived at Lisbon on a three-day visit.

They will anchor in the river side by side with a German warship which is also paying a visit to the Portuguese capital.—Trans-Ocean.

His Excellency, the Governor, is inspecting the Hong Kong Police Force on Monday at 2.30 p.m. in the compound of the Central Police Station. He will also present long service medals to several European Police officers.

JAPANESE WARNED OF THIRD POWER

According to an Associated Press message from Tokyo, the War Minister, General Sugiyama told the Diet that while fighting China, Japan must prepare for war with a third power which he did not name. He emphasised that more military airplanes were needed.

General Sugiyama said: "Since Japan must fight a long term war in China, we must prepare for a country other than China. The present hostilities warn us particularly we must increase our air force."

TURKEY CLOSING CONSULATES

Ankara, To-day.
The Turkish Government has decided to close its consulates in Odessa, Baku, Eriwan and Leninakan, as from March 31.

On the same date, the Soviet Government will close its consulates in Smyrna and Kars.

In future, Turkey will maintain only one consulate, in Batum, and Soviet Russia one, in Istanbul.—Trans-Ocean.

While driving car No. 245 in Hennessy Road, Wong Ping-kung knocked down Wong Kam, who was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital in an unconscious condition.

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RACING MOTORIST BURIED

Berlin, To-day.
The funeral of the famous German racing motorist, Bernd Rosemeyer, who was killed when trying to set up a new speed record last week, took place in Berlin yesterday.

Four fellow racing motorists, in white overalls, formed a guard of honour for the dead speed ace. One of them was Caraciola, who had had many a thrilling duel on the track with Rosemeyer.—Trans-Ocean.

A.P.C. FIRE

A small fire broke out at the Asiatic Petroleum Co. petrol station in Hennessy Road yesterday caused by a short circuit in the air compressor. The fire was extinguished by the fire brigade and the damage was slight.

PERSONAL NOTICE

LEEDS. — Have written you care Box No. 814 "China Mail."

POPULAR FALLACIES

That there is no tide in the Mediterranean Sea.

This is not so.

There is a tide, though it is considerably less than in the Atlantic Ocean. Near Venice it amounts to 3 ft., but off the island of Zante the rise is only 9 inches. It is true, however, that the Office Appliance Co., Ltd. is now taking steps to expand and reorganize their repair department in order to be able to offer a service hitherto unprecedented in this town.

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